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JAPANESE MARINES LAND NORTH OF MACAO

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES

"Breezes" Between Solicitors

INDIAN MERCHANT'S EVIDENCE

"Breezes" between Mr. M. A. da Silva, who conducted the prosecution, and Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios, defending, marked the opening of the hearing before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday, of the case in which Lam Sam, aged 31, Manager of Shee Cheong Company, National and Commercial Bank Building, is charged with obtaining goods to the value of \$1,377 by false pretences from the Britannia Silk Store.

It was alleged by the prosecution that Lam obtained silk stockings to that value from Mr. Bhagwan Marjani, Manager of the Britannia Silk Store, China Building, On December 2, defendant came to his store, and said he was the manager of "Shee Cheong and Company and wanted to do business. "General Chiang," whose wife was staying next to defendant's residence at No. 6 York Road, was the biggest director in the firm, defendant went on. He himself was a partner in it and drew \$230 a month as salary. Before he came to the Shee Cheong Company he had been working under the General.

At the outset Mr. Silva stated he would adduce evidence forthwith and did not propose opening. Mr. Remedios: This is surprising.

Mr. Silva murmured something which was not heard.

Mr. Remedios: I want an opening as the opening and the evidence may be different.

Mr. Silva: I am conducting my own case. My friend seems to have made a mistake. There is no authority forcing me to make an opening.

His Worship: It is not necessary that any outline of a case should be given.

Mr. Marjani then gave evidence. He said he was the manager of the Britannia Silk Store, China Building. On December 2, defendant came to his store, and said he was the manager of "Shee Cheong and Company and wanted to do business. "General Chiang," whose wife was staying next to defendant's residence at No. 6 York Road, was the biggest director in the firm, defendant went on. He himself was a partner in it and drew \$230 a month as salary. Before he came to the Shee Cheong Company he had been working under the General.

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CHINESE CONSUL TO LEAVE YOKOHAMA

Yokohama, Jan. 17. The Chinese Consul-General, Mr. Yang Yun-chu, notified the Chinese citizens at a meeting to-day that he is preparing to leave Japan on January 20.

Mr. Yang will probably sail by the "Empress of Asia" which is leaving Yokohama on that date.—*Reuter.*

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HOW JAPAN PROPOSES TO CIVILISE CHINA

London, January 17. "The secret is out. Now we know what the Japanese Imperial Council was doing last week—it was revising its dictionary," says a leading article in the "News Chronicle" to-day on the statement issued by Japan yesterday revealing her definite policy on China.

Henceforth, it says, "war" will mean something other than an armed invasion and devastation of China. "The territorial integrity of China" will mean its occupation by Japanese troops. "China's sovereignty" will be interpreted as her complete subservience to Japan. "Respect for rights and interests of foreign Powers" henceforth implies "shooting of ambassadors, bombing of neutral gunboats and stealing foreign property."

"East Asia's peace and tranquillity," the "News Chronicle" adds, will be "abandonment of the whole of the sub-continent to bloody aggression by Japanese militarism."—*Reuter.*

Chinese Reinforcements Rushed To Scene FIGHTING REPORTED IN PROGRESS

Hankow, January 17.

Although official confirmation is lacking it is reported from reliable sources that 500 to 600 Japanese marines supported by a barrage from Japanese warships and aeroplanes landed in the village of Tang Chia Wan in the Chungshan district, northward of Macao, yesterday morning.

Chungshan district is celebrated as the birthplace of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, founder of the Chinese Republic, while Tang Chia Wan is the birthplace of Dr. Tang Shao Yi, famous former Premier.

Chinese military authorities are rushing reinforcements to the scene and fighting is said to be in progress.

It is believed that the Japanese landing was in the nature of a "test" with a view to eventual invasion of South China.—*Reuter.*

CHINESE WIN ON HANGCHOW FRONT

Japanese Routed

Tunglu, Chekiang, Jan. 17. Japanese troops at Fuyang south of Hangchow are reported to have been completely surrounded by Chinese forces from Tunglu which launched a counter-offensive to-day with the assistance of reinforcements from the south bank of the Fu Chun River.

A signal victory was also scored yesterday by the Chinese forces at Yuhang, 15 kilometres west of Hangchow. Utterly routed, the Japanese troops there retreated to Hangchow, leaving a large number of arms and armoured cars on the battlefield.

A batch of Chinese able-bodied men commandeered by the Japanese troops at Yuhang were released by the Chinese forces after the retreat of the Japanese.—*Central News.*

JAPANESE SOLDIERS CAPTURED

Tunglu, Chekiang, Jan. 17. Whilst fleeing from Kwangteh, strategic town on the western Anhwei border, to Szean, a town east, 20 of the 100 remaining Japanese soldiers were captured alive and the rest were annihilated by the pursuing Chinese forces, a military message received here states.

Kwangteh was recaptured for the third time by the Chinese forces on January 13.—*Central News.*

TREASURE ISLANDS

Shekhi, Jan. 17. Ta Lin and Shao Lin, off Chungshan turned out to be Treasure Islands to Japanese sailors, who evacuated them last night with plenty of looted goods.

Two hundred bluejackets took part in the "shopping expedition" after which all shops and many homes were generally patronized.—*International News Agency.*

ISLANDERS LOOTED

Canton, Jan. 17. A report from Chungshan stated that Japanese bluejackets who occupied Ta Lin and Shao Lin Islands looted the islands and burnt their houses.

One Japanese cruiser, two sea-planes and five rubber pinnacles are now anchored off these two islands.

A Hohow report stated that a Japanese naval landing party at Copper Drum Cape on the east of the island made a landing but were repulsed.—*International News Agency.*

WIND FORCE OF 48 M.P.H.

Unusual January Recording

Highest for January since 1931, when the maximum velocity of 51 miles per hour was recorded, a wind force of 48 miles per hour was registered at the Royal Observatory at 9 a.m. yesterday. At 6 p.m. on Sunday the wind force was 44 miles per hour.

According to Mr. G. S. P. Heywood, Professional Assistant of the Royal Observatory, the wind force in January should not exceed 40 miles per hour. The reason for the unusually high recordings yesterday and on Sunday, he said, was probably due to the strongish cyclone over North China at the present time.

At 10 a.m. yesterday the temperature was 61 degrees, with humidity at 87 per cent, whilst the barometer was 30.16 inches.

Yesterday's maximum and minimum temperature was 63 and 60 degrees respectively, the reading being taken at 4 p.m.

Sunday's maximum temperature was 65 degrees, with a night minimum of 61.

The total rainfall since January 1 was 23 inches, against an average of 41.

THE DOLLAR

T.T. ON NEW YORK: 30-15/16
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London Silver Market

London, Jan. 17. London silver prices to-day were up 3/16 as follows:—

	Jan. 15	Jan. 17
Spot	19-3/4	19-15/16
Forward	19-7/16	19-5/8

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"China Has Very Likely Lost But At What Cost To Japan?"

Berlin, January 17.

In a leading article on the war in China, the "Frankfurter Zeitung" says that China has very likely lost, but at what cost to Japan? More than one-third of the Japanese army is in China. If Japan were to go on to Canton she will need at least another 100,000 men.

If she has really begun her march into the interior, which anyhow would require endless military roads, it will mean that by far the greater part of her army will be dispersed in a foreign country. No Japanese who sees his country surrounded by jealous and powerful states will like this idea.

What would be the use of victory if a revolution were to break out in a desperate nation tortured by inner conflicts?

The moderate party in Tokyo has been pushed into the background. Much depends on whether the predominance of the extremists will last... which means whether the defeated nation will be driven by desperation.—*Reuter.*



Boys lining up for their weekly ration of soy bean soup at the Mohammedan Refugee Camp No. 112 in the French Concession, Shanghai. (Photo. J. M. Dyer).

ITALIAN PEASANTS FOR ABYSSINIA

Rome, Jan. 17.

It is announced that two steamers, one from Naples and the other from Venice, left to-day carrying on board Italian peasants who will be settled in the new East African empire.

The peasants, who are taking with them necessary machines for clearing the land will, it is stated, be settled for the most part in the region of Gmhara in north Abyssinia.

It is added that those peasants who were settled last year in the vicinity of Addis Ababa, have now begun harvesting.—*Transocean News Service.*

BALKAN ENTENTE CONFERENCE

Ankara, Jan. 17.

It is announced that the conference of Foreign Ministers of States adhering to the Balkan Entente, has been summoned for February 9.—*Transocean News Service.*

AIRLINER DELAYED

Owing to delay on the main route from England to Australia, the Imperial Airways airliner, Daedalus, postponed her departure from Bangkok for one day, and will leave this morning for Hong Kong. She is expected to arrive about noon.

DEMONSTRATION AT AIR RAID LECTURE

PROTECTION AGAINST MUSTARD GAS DESCRIBED

A demonstration of undressing a man who had been contaminated, with special emphasis on the routine designed to avoid the wearer touching anything except his underwear was given by two instructors who appeared in protective clothing in the sixth of a series of public lectures on air raids precautions given at the China Fleet Club yesterday.

The subject of the lecture was "Effects and Characteristics of, and Measures for Protection Against, Mustard Gas." The lecturer, Lt.-Comdr. B.M. Douglas, R.N. (retired), pointed out the importance of rapidity of action when removing mustard vapour from one who has been splashed with it.

The speaker said:—

Mustard Gas is a persistent blister gas. It is a heavy, oily liquid which evaporates slowly, giving off a dangerous vapour. Both the liquid and the vapour produce the same effect, blisters and burns; but whereas direct contact with the liquid will inevitably cause blisters, it will need a fairly long exposure to the vapour to produce the same effects. This vapour also has the properties of a choking gas, so you get it either way.

The liquid is rather like heavy oil fuel, and has great powers of penetration. It will soak through clothing in a few minutes, and also into roads, paintwork, brick,

stone, concrete, wood and, in fact, everything except highly polished surfaces such as bright metals, and glazed tiles. Once the liquid has soaked in, it is extremely difficult to get it out. It must be removed, as it is giving off vapour.

Mustard will probably be used in the forms of air bombs or air spray. The former, dropped from aircraft, (no specific target being required), form craters filled with puddles of the liquid. This will cause splashes within about fifty yards, being heavy enough within ten to fifteen yards to require special neutralising action or decontamination.

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AMBULANCE BALL Governor To Preside

Held annually to augment the funds of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and Association, the annual Ambulance Ball has been arranged to take place at the Hong Kong Hotel on Wednesday, February 2, from 8.30 p.m. to 2 a.m.

A very fine cabaret programme has been arranged by the entertainment committee and it is hoped that the Colony will again give its generous support to this deserving cause.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., Knight of Grace Ven. Order of St. John of Jerusalem, has very kindly consented to preside and Lady Northcote will also be present.

PUBLIC SERVICE

Apart from the financial side the Ball should be publicly supported (Continued on back Page)

PANAY FILM SCREENING TO-DAY

Grim War Scenes

Scenes of the bombing of the U.S.S. Panay will be screened publicly for the first time in Hong Kong to-day when the film taken by Universal cameraman, Norman Alley, is shown at the Queen's Theatre. Times of screening will be 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 1 p.m. and 4.30 p.m.

Attended by the Acting Commander-in-Chief of the China Station (Vice-Admiral L. G. E. Crabbe), the Consul General for the United States (Mr. A. F. "outhard"), the Commissioner of Police (Hon. Mr. T. H. King), senior Navy and Army officers and representatives of the Press, a (Continued on back Page)

PERSONALITIES AT THE FANLING RACES ON SUNDAY



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SENTENCE DEFERRED

Chief Justice's
Doubts

Declaring that he could not accept the juvenile's plea of guilty as it was doubtful if it was appreciated the meaning of it, the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions, deferred sentence on a 12-year-old lad who was tried with Li Chuen, aged 19, on a charge of possession of 48,300 heroin pills and 397 ounces of pink mass sufficient to make another 39,700 pills. Sentence on the 12-year-old lad will be given on Friday next.

The jury empanelled for the case were Messrs. A. Wood (foreman), R. L. Wyllie, E. V. Sousa, L. Landau, A. H. Esmail, Fong King-chew and Cho Chik-sang.

Conducting the prosecution, Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, stated that on the afternoon of December 23, Mr. A. W. Grimmit, accompanied by Mr. H. A. Taylor, Government Monopoly Analyst, and a party, raided a floor in Belchers Street. Accused were found making heroin pills in the rear cubicle which was being used as a large-scale pill factory, all the paraphernalia for the manufacture of the drug being found there.

Evidence for the Crown was given by Mr. Taylor, Mr. Grimmit, Revenue Officer Wong Chuen-fook and Mr. Yu Hing-yung, Police Interpreter, who read out the statements made by accused, when they were formally charged.

In the witness-box, Li Chuen testified to having worked there only as a servant boy, having had nothing to do with the manufacture of the pills.

The youth admitted having participated in the making of the pills, saying he was employed by a man named So at \$10 a month for the purpose. He further said he knew it was wrong to make heroin pills.

LEGAL PRESUMPTION

Referring to the boy in the course of his summing-up, His Lordship declared that there was a presumption in law that a child between the ages of 7 and 14 was incapable of evil crime. The presumption was so strong, indeed, that it could only be rebutted by the most cogent and clear-cut evidence that the boy knew what he was doing was criminal.

The evidence given by the boy had been most damaging to himself, and if the jury came to the conclusion that he had deliberately embarked on a career of heroin-pill making with his eyes open to the dangerous consequences, then the presumption which arose from his tender years would be offset.

Without retiring, the jury returned a verdict of guilty to both accused.

Passing sentence of four years' hard labour on So Ping-sun, aged 27, who had pleaded guilty at the outset and was not tried with the other accused, His Lordship said: "You have admitted you are the master of this tragedy and you made your offence much worse, in my view, by employing a small boy of 12, poisoning his mind and putting him into the position in which he finds himself to-day."

Li Chuen was sentenced to three years' hard labour, while sentence on the juvenile was postponed until Friday morning for the purpose of ascertaining whether any industrial school or approved reformatory would take him.

THEFT FROM MIDWIFE

Mrs. Rose Tang, described as a midwife, of No. 16, Southwall Road, was mentioned as complainant when Chiu San, aged 36, unemployed, was brought before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday on the charge of theft of a leather box containing three pairs of forceps, an injection set, two surgical pumps, two rubber tubes, and a quantity of medicine and bandages.

Inspector Portallion prosecuted, and his application for a remand of 48 hours was granted.

POSSESSION OF REVOLVER

Unlawful possession of a six-chambered revolver and two rounds of ammunition was the charge preferred against Chan Sai, aged 27, unemployed, when he was brought before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Sub-Inspector Hughes appeared for the prosecution and the officer's application for a 24-hour remand was granted.

YOUNG CHINESE IN TROUBLE

Demanding Money
With Menaces

Claiming himself to be a representative of an organisation in Canton sent here to "inspect and stop local business firms from carrying on business with the Japanese," a young man, named Cheung Chi-wan, aged 25, was brought before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday, charged with demanding money with menaces.

It was alleged that at the beginning of November last, defendant approached the foreman of the Ching Wo Knitting Factory and demanded a sum of \$100, saying that he had received information that complainant had had business dealings with the Japanese in scrap metal.

FOREMAN'S EVIDENCE

Evidence given by the foreman at the previous hearing went to show that defendant accused complainant that he was selling scrap iron to the Japanese and that his life would be in danger if the sum of \$100 was not delivered to defendant as tea money to keep the matter quiet.

The complainant, Shum Tin, denied that he and his three friends had ever had any business transactions with any Japanese firm as alleged by defendant.

TRAP SET

On being pressed, Shum Tin made a report to the police and a trap was set for defendant's arrest. Four bank notes were marked and when complainant handed the money to the defendant, the police appeared on the scene and arrested defendant.

Defendant in the witness box yesterday denied the charge. He admitted that he had been sent by an organisation in Canton to advise local Chinese not to do business with the "enemy."

Defendant stated that he came to Hong Kong on November 17 and after two days he found that the Chuen Tak godown had some 100 to 200 bags of scrap iron. The bags were carried out by coolies to a sampan, and after each bag had left the godown the door was closed.

The next day he saw some bags being carried into a house at Gloucester Road.

On December 8 defendant said he asked for Shum Tin at the Fuk Chuen Knitting Factory. He could not find him but on the following day he located him. He informed Shum Tin of his discovery and advised Shum Tin to carry on his business any further.

"KNEW TOO MUCH"

Shum Tin then offered him a sum of money to keep the matter quiet. On December 10, defendant said that complainant came to his hotel and gave him a sum of \$40 as tea money and he was arrested by the police when the money was in his possession.

Mr. Russ, in his submission said that defendant could not have been demanding money with menaces in the lounge of the hotel which was full of people at the time. He added that it might have been a "frame-up." Complainant probably suspected that defendant "knew too much" and decided to get him out of the way.

Mr. Barnett remarked that the case was of public interest, and in view of this he would give a written judgment. The case was adjourned till noon to-day.

EMBEZZLEMENT ALLEGED

The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday to defend Lee Hon-wing, who is charged with (a) embezzlement from the Hing Kee Company, of Parkes Street, Kowloon, of a sum of \$21,000, and (b) falsification of documents.

Mr. B. D. Evans, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, prosecuted and asked for a week's remand. Mr. Lo applied for bail, remarking that defendant had given himself up when he discovered he was wanted. His Worship granted bail in bonds to the total value of \$25,000.

POSSESSION OF OPIUM

Pleading guilty to the charge of possession of 34 taels of raw opium, Yeung Wan, aged 28, was yesterday sentenced to two months' imprisonment with the option of a fine of \$70, by Mr. H. R. Butters at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court. Defendant was arrested by Detective-Sergeant Baldwin as the result of a casual street search.

FORGED DOLLAR NOTES

Chinese On Serious
Charges

Committal proceedings against a 23-year-old unemployed, Ng Tam, were begun before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday. Ng Tam was charged with two counts of uttering a one dollar forged note at Kijung Street on January 1, and possession of two forged one dollar bank notes.

It was stated by Sub-Inspector Morton, who prosecuted, that defendant, about 7 p.m. on the day in question, went to a store in Kijung Street, and purchased five cents worth of oranges. Having selected the fruits he tendered a dollar note (Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank) and asked for his change.

The hawk, looked at the note and suspected that it was a forged one. He handed it to a friend to ascertain from a money changer if the note was a forgery and his suspicions were confirmed.

HE TRIED AGAIN

Later in the evening, defendant again went to another small store which was next door to the shop if his first would be victim, and after having bought six cents worth of sugar cane he produced another one dollar note, which was also found to be a forgery.

The hawk's son recognised defendant as the man who tendered a forged bank note at the neighbouring store and defendant was detained. A Chinese detective who was in the vicinity came and took defendant to the police station.

The two one dollar notes were testified to be forged ones by Lai Sung-tang, sheriff of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.

After evidence was given the case was adjourned for one week.

RIFLEMAN CATCHES SNATCHER

Sentence of two months' imprisonment and 12 strokes of the cane were imposed on an unemployed man, Mak Sze, by Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday. Defendant was found guilty of the charge of snatching a handbag. Sergt. Jones stated that Mrs. Stoneham was walking along Chatham Road on Saturday, and defendant approached from behind, snatched her bag and ran off. Rifleman An Singh, of the Kumaon Rifles, who witnessed the incident, gave chase and arrested the snatcher after a short pursuit.

An order was made for defendant to be sent back to Canton after his prison term.

NINE BANISHEES IN COURT

Nine banishees, who were charged with breach of the Deportation Ordinance, were sentenced from two to four years' hard labour by the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, when they pleaded guilty at the Criminal Sessions yesterday. Mr. M. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted.

Four life banishees, Li Po, Lam San, Lai Wan and Lo Kan were each sentenced to four years' hard labour, while Chan Lin, Leung Hung, Ip Tin and Li Kau, who returned to the Colony before their term of 10 years' banishment had expired, were each given three years. Two years' hard labour was passed on Wong Lai-cheung for a similar offence.

BITTEN BY LION

Isako's circus left its site on Chatham Road at midnight on Sunday and crossed the harbour in junks preparatory to departure from the Colony. On the way, over Kwok Fuk, boatman, was bitten on the right foot by one of the lions and was taken to the Kowloon Hospital.

FIGHT ON HILLSIDE

A fight arising out of a quarrel between two women resulted in the appearance before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday of Chau Hon, aged 30, lime-washer, and Lui Yuk, 27 married woman, charged with assaulting Chung Yan, 31 married woman, on the hillside above Main Street East, Shaokwan, on Saturday. Inspector Wright, prosecuting, said the two women had quarrelled and Lui had picked up a weapon and assaulted the other woman.

First defendant pleaded that he had merely tried to separate the women and was discharged. Lui was fined \$5 or two weeks' and ordered to pay \$5 compensation to complainant.

BAG SNATCHER CAUGHT

To Be Examined
For Caning

Mr. R. Edwards, at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday, gave another warning that he regarded bag-snatching as a very serious offence. His Worship was sitting in the case in which Wong Tak, aged 25, unemployed, was remanded for medical examination to see if he was fit for caning. Wong had previously pleaded guilty to having snatched a bag containing \$8.73 in money from Mrs. Mak Sul-ying.

Inspector Poyntz, prosecuting, said complainant was walking in Jubilee Street at about 10.30 p.m. on Saturday night when defendant came up from behind and snatched the bag from under her arm. Complainant gave chase and the man was arrested by a Chinese constable.

FADRE AS COMPLAINANT

In another case Leung Man, 23, painter, was discharged when he appeared before His Worship on a count of attempted larceny from the person. Complainant was the Rev. T. P. Maslin, a visiting minister residing at Church Guest House, Kennedy Road, and he stated in evidence that about 11 a.m. on Friday he was walking in Queen's Road Central near Marina House when he became aware of some confused motion on his right. He instinctively warded it off with his hand, at the same time turning round, saw defendant, and gained the impression that the man had been trying to take his fountain pen from his pocket. He did not do anything but Mrs. Maslin, who was with him, called out "Catch him," and he followed the man for a short distance and had him arrested by a constable near the Wang Hing Building.

Evidence was also given by the constable, but defendant denied his guilt and His Worship gave him the benefit of the doubt.



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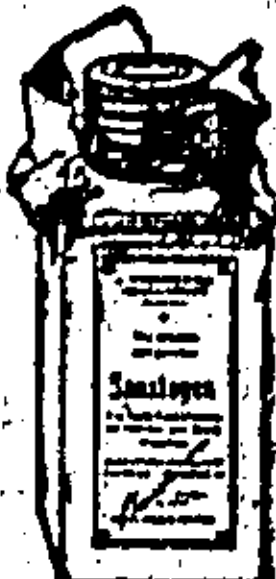
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WORLD DEMAND FOR DIAMONDS

STILL THE BEST INVESTMENT

The diamond is passing through an interesting phase, in which London, where the world's diamond output is controlled, is immediately interested.

Factors in the situation are the steady development of the new diamond field in Sierra Leone, where organised working began about three years ago, and problems of supply and demand, which have been emphasised by what was described as "a slight set-back" in the trading of cut stones since the end of the summer.

Yet the diamond, by reason of its unequalled appeal, remains the best investment in the world, with its value established soundly and firmly by the Diamond Corporation, who regulate supplies and to whom all the stones cast up in the far-flung fields come for ultimate dispersal.

JUMP IN PRODUCTION

There are great prospects in the new diamond field in Sierra Leone, where development has not reached anything like its zenith. In the first year of its accidental discovery by a British official the output was £20 in value. For the last recorded twelve months diamonds worth £500,124 had been found.

"These diamonds are of extremely good quality," one of the world's leading diamond experts said. "Their chief point is that they are largely octahedrons and are easily cut, for the octahedron is an eight-sided figure with the outline of the 'diamond' we know on playing cards."

"Until about August of this year there was a very great demand

for diamonds of all descriptions—a demand which had been increasing since 1932. There has been some falling off since then in the demand for cut diamonds, although the American market, one of the chief centres, is still a very considerable buyer and is doing very well in spite of the slight set-back.

The general prospects for 1938 are, indeed, very good. Sales of rough diamonds have been deferred until about the middle of January, when the demand is expected to be very considerable. The industry has, in effect, taken a step back to jump forward again.

DIAMONDS IN THE FACTORY

The demand for industrial diamonds continues to expand very considerably all over the world, and these are approximately 70 per cent. of the total weight of production. Their uses industrially, for precision work, boring, grinding, and cutting—for the diamond is so much harder than anything else—continues to increase. One great motor company in the United States, for example, uses nearly 1,000 diamonds to turn machine parts.

"Diamond fashions to-day are principally for square-cut and emerald-cut stones. These have the lustre without being too shiny, although their all-round brilliance is as great as ever, and they remain things of beauty and joys forever."

The expert added that gem diamonds of more than 100 carats weight which exist to-day number less than ten; indeed, there are fewer than 400 diamonds in human possession weighing more than 30 carats.

BLONDE GIVES A JUDGE A SURPRISE

"I Suppose If You Try You Can Look Cross"

Mr. Justice Charles told an attractive blonde at Sussex Assizes at Lewes that he was rather surprised to hear that she could "look cross."

He made the observation during the resumed hearing of an action in which a five-years-old boy is suing a Hove school.

The boy, Ronald William Harvey, is suing, through his mother, Mrs. Hattie Alice Harvey, a widow, of Lewes-crescent, Brighton, who joins him in the action, Miss Cecilia Lucy Wallhouse Thompson and Miss Vera Contantine Caroline Watson, carrying on business at St. Bride's School, Westbourne-villas, Hove.

"LOVED-PLAYING WITH FIRE"

For the boy and his mother it was alleged that he received severe burns on his face and neck from a gas fire in the sick room at the school. Miss Thompson and Miss Watson denied negligence.

When the case was opened it was stated that the boy had suffered considerable disfigurement, and that he would have to be treated by plastic surgery.

Miss Thompson, in the box, said that she took the boy at reduced fees because she was exceedingly sorry when she heard Mrs. Harvey's story. Mrs. Harvey did not tell her that the boy had a peculiar love of playing with fire.

"If I had been told that I should not have been prepared to take him at this reduced fee," she said.

Miss Thompson said that the gas fire was protected by an ordinary wire guard and a fender.

BLAZING HANDKERCHIEF

Miss Barbara Milne, formerly a junior mistress at the School, said that on one occasion she saw the boy holding a blazing handkerchief which she had given to a little girl. She could not think how he got it alight.

When Miss Milne, an attractive blonde, said that she severely reprimanded the boy, Mr. Justice Charles remarked: "I suppose if you try you can look cross. I am rather surprised to hear it."

Miss Watson said that the boy was having a meal in the sick room, and when he was left for a moment she heard screams and saw him in flames at the top of the stairs. She snatched an overall, put out the flames, gave first aid, and telephoned for a doctor.

BALI SPOILED BY TOURISTS

Ancient Culture Lost As Young Acquire False Values

Miguel Covarrubias, the Mexican painter and caricaturist, who recently visited London, claims that a picturesque and logical national culture, inherited by the "million inhabitants of the recently famous island of Bali, in the Malay Archipelago, is being destroyed by tourists, missionaries and commercialism.

He declares that degradation and poverty are being substituted for it. "Bali was only conquered by the Dutch in 1908," he says, "but long before that the libraries of Holland had been filling slowly with scholarly volumes on the literature, the archaeology and the religion of Bali."

However, the remote little island only became news to the Western world with the advent, a few years ago, of a series of documentary films of Bali with a strong emphasis on sex appeal. The title of one of these films, "Goon-goon," the Balinese term for magic, became at the time Newyorkese for sex allure.

ONE-DAY STOP

"Lately travel agencies have used the alluring name of Bali to attract hordes of tourists for their round-the-world cruises that make a one-day stop on the island."

"An average of five or six such cruises unload every winter some fifteen hundred round-the-world tourists that leave the Balinese puzzled as to why all these madmen come from so far for only one day."

"Undoubtedly Bali will soon enough be 'spoiled' for those fastidious travellers who abhor all that which they bring with them. But even when all the Balinese will have learned to wear shirts, to beg, lie, steal, and prostitute themselves to satisfy new needs, the tourists will continue to come to Bali to see the sights, snapping pictures frantically, dashing from temple to temple, back to the hotel for meals, and on to watch rites and dances staged for them."

"The Balinese will be, to the tourists, guides, chauffeurs and bell-boys to be tipped, dancers on salary, curio-dealers, and tropical beauties to be photographed blouseless for a fee."

YOUNGER GENERATION

"The younger generation are rapidly being cut off from a cultural environment which they have learned to regard as below them. They have become conscious of the contempt of Europeans for native cultures and have been influenced to believe that the philosophy, arts,



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and habits of their country are signs of peasant backwardness." Mr. Covarrubias also accuses the missionaries of interfering with the natural culture of the Balinese. Their presence, he says, at different periods over a number of years has aroused bitter controversy and near-riots.

"Bali is certainly not the place," he adds, "where missionaries could improve in any way the moral and physical standards of the people. The little island is still one of those amazing nations that we shall never know again, in which the daily life, society, arts and religion form a united whole that cannot be separated into its component parts without disrupting it, where spiritual values dictate the mode of living."

"Unfortunately as it is, the power of our civilisation to penetrate can

no longer be ignored. It is to be hoped that those in control of the island's future will see that progress comes to the Balinese naturally and gradually and that they shall be permitted to decide for themselves what they want to absorb without losing their essential qualities, and becoming another vanishing race of coolies."

BOOK ON BALI

Covarrubias has paid two long visits to the island, with a two-year period intervening, and he found the changes so noticeable on his return that he decided to "collect in one volume all that could be obtained from personal experience by an unscientific artist, of a living culture that is doomed to disappear under the merciless onslaught of modern commercialism and standardisation."

He has collected in this book which is being published under the title of "Island of Bali" by the house of Cassell, a mass of varied information of the social habits of the Balinese, and their highly decentralised communities, every village forming itself into almost a closed society. He describes the rites and the festivals, the complicated plays, and the "legong" and other dances.

He has illustrated the book with numerous drawings and paintings of the Balinese and their customs and homes, and added a portfolio of photographs taken by Rose Covarrubias.

Miguel Covarrubias became famous for the striking caricatures which he drew for the well-known but now defunct American magazine, "Vanity Fair."

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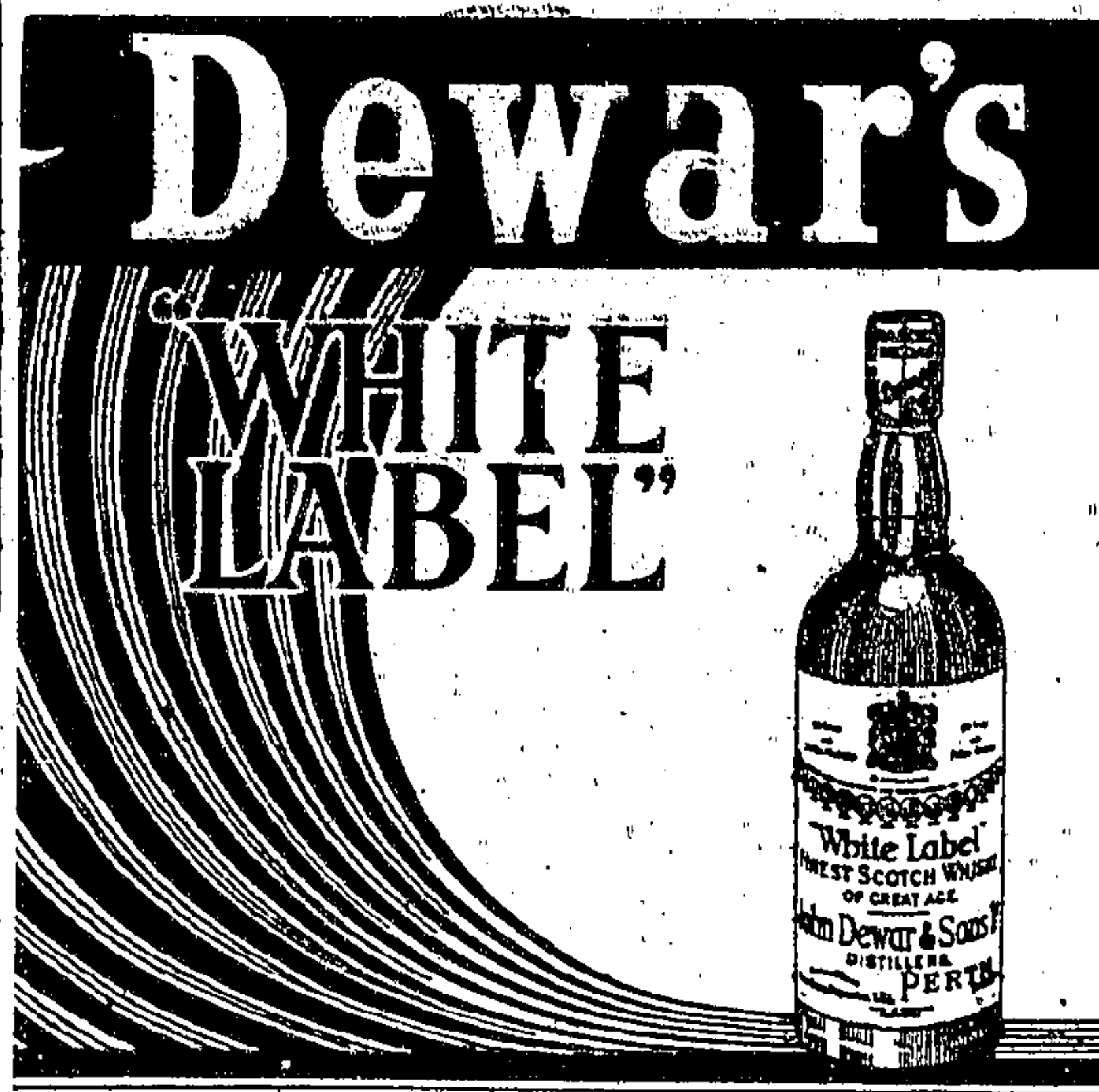
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12 noon: Relay of service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m. Mozart—Violin Concerto in G Major No. 3.

Yehudi Menuhin and the Paris Symphony Orchestra cond. by Georges Enesco.

12.55 p.m. Mozart—"Now" your days of phandering are over" (from "The Marriage of Figaro")—Peter Dawson.

1 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m. Webster Booth and Alfredo Campoli's Orchestra.

Love in Idleness (MacBeth)—Orchestra; I'll Wait For You; I'm All Alone (Folmer)—Tenor; Your Heart Called Mine (Haydn)—Orchestra.

1.15 p.m. Light Opera.

Selections from "Les Cloches de Corneville" played by De Groot and His Orchestra; Selections from "The Gipsy Princess" played by De Groot and the New Victoria Orchestra.

1.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press: Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m. variety and Dance Music.

King Canute; Melodrama of the Mice—Flotsam and Jetsam; You Needn't Have Kept it a Secret; In The Mountains of the Moon—Primo Scala's Accordion Band; Hildegarde Looks Back—Hildegarde with Orch.; I'm Happy when You're Happy; The First Time I saw you (Foxrots)—Jay Wilbur and His Band; Would You; Take my Heart—Greta Keller; The Little Boy That Santa Claus Forgot (Foxrots)—Billy Cotton and His Band.

2.15 p.m. Close Down.

6-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7 p.m. Variety Programme.

Old Song Memories—Westminster Ballad Singers; Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 2—Charlie Kunz; Sandy's Happy Home—Sandy Powell; It's Party Time Again; The Yodeling Working Man—George van Dusen; The Best of Friends; I'm a Little Prairie Flower—Billy Cotton and His Band.

7.33 p.m. Joseph Hislop. (Tenor). Herding Song (from "Songs of the North"); An Eriskey Love Lilt (from "Songs of the Hebrides"); An Island Shelling Song; The Island Herdmaid (from "Songs of the Hebrides").

7.45 p.m. Studio—C. Harper (Piano).

1. Prelude No. 17 in A Flat Major, 2. Valse in A Flat Major, 3. Mazurka No. 14 in G Minor, 4. Mazurka No. 15 in C Major, 5. Nocturne No. 2 in E Flat Major (Chopin).

8 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

8.03 p.m. Studio—A Talk in French on "Tonkin" by Mon. Montargis followed by a translation in English.

8.25 p.m. A French Programme.

Coppelia Ballet (Delibes) Dance of the Automaton and Waltz—San Francisco Symphony Orchestra; Lakme (Delibes) Oriental Prayer, Bell Song—Miliza Korjus (Soprano); Thal's (Massenet) Meditation—Mischa Elman (Violin); Mignon (Thomas) Gavotte—Philadelphia Orchestra under Stokowski; Debussy—"Dances"—Philadelphia Orchestra under Stokowski; Massenet—Elegie; Messenger—La Maison Grise from "Fortunio"—George Thill (Tenor); Saint-Saens—Marche Heroique—Orchestre Symphonique de Paris.

9.15 p.m. London Relay—Robb Wilton as Mr. Muddlecombe J. P. in the "Court of Not-so-common, Please!" written by Robb Wilton on an original idea by Barry Bernard. Presented by Max Kester.

9.30 p.m. London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m. Light Opera Selections. Merrie England (Edward German)—New Symphony Orchestra cond. by Dr. Malcolm Sargeant; Monsieur Beaucarne (Messager) Vocal Gems—Light Opera Company.

10.04 p.m. Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

Youth and Vigour (Lautenschlager); Pas des Cymbales; Air de Ballet; Callirhoe (Chaminade).

10.18 Amelita Galli-Curci.

Bohemia from "The Maids of Cadiz" (Delibes); Song of India from "Sadko" (Rimsky-Korsakov).

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4.15 p.m.—Big Ben. Music Hall with the BBC Variety Orchestra, conducted by Charles Shadwell.
5.15 p.m.—"Empire Exchange" Points of view by travellers from the Dominions and the Colonies
5.30 p.m.—The Lutton Band; conductor, Albert Coupe. 8 p.m.—The News and Announcements
8.25 p.m.—Close down.

Trans. III (G.S.H., G.S.G., G.S.B.)

6.45 p.m.—Big Ben. The Symphonies of Beethoven—3. The BBC Empire Orchestra; conductor, Eric Fogg. Symphony No. 3 in E flat (Eroica), Op. 55. (1) Allegro con brio (2) Marcia funebre, Adagio assai (3) Scherzo, Allegro vivace (4) Finale, Allegro molto.
7.30 p.m.—Pianoforte Music. 7.40 p.m.—Tom Jenkins, at the Organ of the Plaza Cinema. Concert Toccata in D minor (Holloway). You Can't Stop me from Dreaming (Friend and Franklin). Waltz, Nights of Gladness (Ancliffe). Song Hits of 1937 (arr. Jenkins). 8 p.m.—"Rehearsal." A glimpse of preparations for a Variety performance at the Palace Theatre, Burnley, Lancashire. 8.15 p.m.—"The Real Robinson Crusoe." The story of Alexander Selkirk. A play for broadcasting, by R. L. Megroz. "Characters." Richard Steele: Mrs. ("True") Steele: Dame Hollis, hostess of a tavern; Captain Woodes Rogers; Alexander Selkirk; Captain Stradling; Lieutenant Glendall; Lieutenant Pope; Lieutenant Stretton; Sophia Bruce; Daniel Defoe; Mariners and Voices. "Time." The early eighteenth century. Production by John Richmond. 8.55 p.m.—Recital by David Martin (Canadian Violinist). Menuet (Kreisler (Porpora). Vocalise (Rachmaninoff, arr. Michael Press). Au petit Saint Jean (from Improvisations Provencales); The Heavy Heart (John B. McEwen). Waltz, Op. 84. No. 2 (Chopin, arr. Ruberman).

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9.55 p.m.—Close down.

Trans. II (G.S.H., G.S.G., G.S.B.)

9.55 p.m.—Opening Announcements. 10 p.m.—Big Ben. "Take your Choice." A weekly entertainment feature, presented by William MacLure. "Under City Lights." "Tales of Ben Bagg." 3. "The Bangalore Man." 3. "The Spinner of Death" ("Episode 3"). "The Sleep Walker." Singers and orchestra under the direction of Josef Marais. 10.30 p.m.—"A Theme and a Song." "Food" Songs. The Boy, the Girl, and the Trio, with Josef Marais and his Band. The programme presented by William MacLure. 10.40 p.m.—Early English Pianoforte Music. 10.45 p.m.—"Catharine Parr," or "Alexander's Horse." By Maurice Baring. An argument between Henry VIII and Catharine Parr, while seated at their breakfast-table. Production by Howard Rose. 10.55 p.m.—Early English Pianoforte Music (cont'd.). 11 p.m.—The Torquay Municipal Orchestra; leader, Harold F. Potts; conductor, Ernest W. Goss. Joyce Newton (Contralto). From The Pavilion, Torquay. Orchestra: March, Le prophete (Meyerbeer), Suite, The Land of Nod (A Ballet for Children): (1) Overture (2) Round the Toadstool (3) Under the Willows (4) Gobblins (5) Interlude (Fiddle-tune) (6) Grasshopper (7) What the Owl Saw (8) Sleep Charm (Clifton Parker). Joyce Newton and Orchestra: Traume (Wagner). Orchestra: Fantasia on Works of Tchaikovsky (arr. Foulds). Joyce Newton: A Soft Day; Johnnie (C. V. Stanford). Orchestra: Overture, Mirella (Gounod). 12 p.m.—The News and Announcements. 12.20 a.m.—Violin Recital by Bratza. Serenade melancolique (Tchaikovsky). La capricieuse (Elgar). Caprice Viennois (Kreisler). 12.40 a.m.—"Do we Understand English?"—3. A talk by A. Lloyd James, Secretary of the BBC Advisory Committee on Spoken English. 1 a.m.—Close down.

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YUNNAN STUDENTS BUILD HIGHWAY

Yunnanfu, Jan. 17. Eager to do their bit during the present emergency, students in Yunnan are voluntarily participating in the building of the new Yunnan-Burma highway, according to Chinese reports. This highway, when completed, will facilitate the transportation of supplies to China from Europe.—Reuter.

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FILM PRODUCER GETS DECREE

Mr. Norman Lee Cites An Army Captain.

A decree nisi was granted by Mr. Justice Rodson, in the Divorce Court, to Mr. Norman Lee, the producer, of Thrift Croft, Stanborough, Herts, because of the adultery of his wife, Mrs. Lily Lee, who was cited as co-respondent. The petition was undefended. The marriage was in October, 1914, at a London register office, and Mr. and Mrs. Lee afterwards lived at various London addresses. Mr. Lee's case was that he went to South Africa with a war-time revue in 1918. His wife followed him. She returned in 1919, and he came back the following year, but they never lived together again.

PLEA FOR DISCRETION

Mrs. Lee was alleged to have stayed at a boarding-house in Stanborough with Captain Macpherson in 1934.

Mr. Lee asked for the discretion of the court in his favour.

Mr. Justice Rodson, giving judgment, said he had had a little difficulty in seeing how he could properly exercise discretion. Mr. and Mrs. Lee parted in 1919 on the ground that they did not get on well together.

"Although Mr. Lee says he suspected very soon after that, that his wife had committed adultery, he was not in a position to establish anything, and, indeed, she al-

ways denied adultery," the judge continued.

IN HIS FAVOUR

"He has it in his favour, however, that he did make his wife an allowance for a very long time. So far as his own adultery is concerned, there was a long period when he was living with another woman, which came to an end in 1934.

"That was about the time he discovered that his wife had been associating with another man, whose identity has never been definitely established.

"He is a military gentleman whom Mr. Lee thought he saw with his wife in London some years before.

"He found she had committed adultery at Bognor in 1934, and would, perhaps, have been in a better position then to bring a petition, but his wife disappeared, and he committed adultery with a number of other women before he discovered her whereabouts, and instituted proceedings."

WIFE'S ALLOWANCE

Mr. Lee, however, had said that if he were granted a decree he would continue to make the payments to his wife that he was at one time under covenant to make.

A decree nisi was granted and the Judge ordered that Mr. Lee should pay his wife £2 per week until further order.

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:-

"Elephant Boy"
QUEEN'S:-
"The Singing Marine"
ORIENTAL:-
"Night Must Fall"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:-

"The Singing Marine"
STAR:-
"Mountain Music"
MAJESTIC:-
"History Is Made At Night"

Coming

KING'S:-

"Cafe Metropole"
QUEEN'S:-
"True Confession"
ORIENTAL:-
"The Merry Widow"

ALHAMBRA:-

"True Confession"
STAR:-
"Men In Exile"
MAJESTIC:-
"Love From A Stranger"

ELEPHANT BOY

The elephants' dance, a sight no man has ever seen before, is a thrilling highlight of "Elephant Boy," Alexander Korda's screen Kipling story, "Toomai of the Elephants," which is on at the King's Theatre to-day.

Sabu, handsome native Hindu boy, whom Robert Flaherty and Zoltan Korda found in the jungles of India, plays the small hero through whose eyes Kipling described this amazing spectacle.

The story, which was adapted to the screen by John Collier, follows the adventures of little Toomai, the elephant boy, who was burdened with a desire to become a great elephant hunter.

How he gets his opportunity to take part in an elephant hunt and proves the hero of the occasion is thrillingly depicted against the natural backgrounds of the jungle.

HISTORY IS MADE AT NIGHT

Charles Boyer and Jean Arthur, the screen's newest team of film romancers, come to the Majestic Theatre to-day in Walter Wanger's "History is Made at Night."

This smart, fast-paced romance casts Boyer in a totally new type of role as Paul Dumond, dashing man-about-town and the most popular head waiter on the Continent, while Jean Arthur is seen as a lovely New York mannequin. They meet in Paris under thrilling circumstances. The pair become involved in a gay, ultra-modern romance that carries them from France to America against a series of stunning, ultra-modern settings, including a crack luxury liner and the smartest restaurants of New York and Paris.

Leo Carrillo and Colin Clive are featured in the supporting cast, which also includes Ivan Lebedeff, George Meeker, Lucian Prival, Georges Renavent and others.

THE SINGING MARINE

Dick is a Marine—a modest buck private at the San Diego base—and he can sing. So his comrades get up a purse to send him to New York to have a try at "Major Rows" amateur hour.

At the same time, on her own, Dick's sweetheart essays to enter her voice into the competition. This is Doris Weston, a lovely and talented newcomer to movies. She doesn't get by. The Major's famous song stops her. But Dick becomes a tremendous success. Just too bad! It goes to Dick's head. Spotted by the adulation of innumerable women, and the fawning of chisellers who surround him, the young Marine forgets his comrades out on the Pacific Coast.

Mr. W. H. E. Kemp, of Wellington-street, Bexleyheath has been awarded the Imperial Service Medal on retiring from Woolwich Arsenal, after 48 years' service.

Mr. A. Denville, M.P., who lives at South Hill-avenue, Harrow, recently posted 17,000 Christmas cards at Harrow to his constituents in Central Newcastle-on-Tyne.

K.C. AND WITNESS SING BEFORE JUDGE

In Copyright Action By A Yodeller

"I Get Up And Compose In My Pyjamas"

Mr. Justice du Parcq was entertained in the King's Bench Division to singing by a K.C. and a witness.

The witness, a theatre musical director, gave the K.C. a "pass" for his effort.

The singing took place during the hearing of an action brought by a yodeller who told Mr. Justice du Parcq that, when he composed his songs, he sometimes had an inspiration at 3 or 4 a.m.

In such a case, he added, he would get up, and, in his pyjamas, would write down what was in his mind.

Then he would play a "kind of melody" to fit the words "on a mouth organ, and, when he thought it was correct, he would sing it to a musician who would take it down line by line.

"YODELLING SOLOMON"

The yodeller, George van Dusen, of Tudor-road, Edmonton, alleged that his copyright in certain songs had been infringed by Mr. A. Macari, conductor of "Macari and his Dutch Accordion Serenaders," and van Lewin, vocalist in that band, and claimed damages.

Except for one occasion, in 1933, Macari and van Lewin denied any infringement, and they also denied that the works were copyright.

Originally the action was brought also against the B.B.C., but it was stated that the proceedings against them had been stayed on terms.

Mr. Leslie J. Solley, for van Dusen (who in private life, is Thomas Harrington, and uses the pen name of Fred Farrell), said he claimed to be the owner of the copyright in the songs "Mountain Refrain," "Yodelling Blacksmith," and "Yodelling Solomon," and of a special arrangement of the music to "Silver Threads Among the Gold."

AN UNDERTAKING

It was alleged, said Mr. Solley, that there had been infringements during the last three years.

Mr. R. F. Levy, K.C. (for the defence), said that, except for one performance of "Mountain Refrain," Macari and van Lewin had not infringed. They had played numbers which could be obtained from publishers and the copyright in which was provided for.

Other numbers were written by themselves, none of which were infringements of copyright. Except for "Mountain Refrain," van Dusen's songs were unpublished, and if Macari and his band did play anything similar it was arrived at independently and was in no sense an infringement.

After the infringement in 1933 Macari gave an undertaking not to perform that number again, and he had not done so.

MR. JUSTICE SWIFT LEAVES £25,201

Clerk Asked To Examine Private Papers

Sir Rigby Philip Watson Swift, of Klong, Crowborough, Sussex, Division, who died on October 19 last, aged 83, left £25,201 5s. 5d. (net personalty £4,233).

Probate of the will, dated Sept. 23, was granted to his late wife's niece, Vera Mary Walsley, of the same address, who was bequeathed £5,000.

Sir Rigby's books, furniture and robes were left to his clerk, Archibald Evans, who was asked to examine all the judge's private papers and correspondence at the Law Courts.

The residue was given to Vera Mary Walsley. There was a direction that if the estate proved insufficient to pay the legacies they should abate proportionately.

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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—St. Peter's Chair at Rome.

Cinemas.—(See Column 3 of this page).

Lecture.—Radio Address on "Tongking," by Mr. Lay in English, and by Mons. Montargis in French, 8 p.m. and 8.15 p.m. respectively.

Malls.—(See Page 16).

Meetings.—Members and Creditors of the Welled Manufacturing Co., Ltd. (in liquidation), at 24 Fleming Road, 2 p.m.; Kowloon Chess Club, at St. Andrew's Hall, 5.30 p.m.; St. Andrew's Church Mothers' Union, 3 p.m.; St. John's Cathedral Mothers' Union, 3 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—Rotary Tiffin Hong Kong Hotel; Exhibition of Tonkinese Arts, Crafts, and Tourism, at French Bank Bldg., 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Moon.—XII Moon, 17th Day.

Social.—Craigengower Cricket Club Weekly Tombola, 9.20 p.m.; The Little Flower Club Mahjong Drive; Cheepo Club Mahjong, 8 p.m.

Sports.—(See Page 16).

Sunrise.—7.06 a.m. Sunset.—8.03 p.m.

Tides.—High at 11.38 and 22.50. Low at 04.53 and 16.03.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

Cinemas.—(See Column 3 of this page).

Malls.—(See Page 16).

Moon.—XII Moon, 18th Day.

Sports.—(See Page 16).

Sunrise.—7.06 a.m. Sunset.—8.02 p.m.

Tides.—High at 11.00 and 22.02. Low at 04.20 and 15.15.

THE KING OF SWEDEN

His 30 Years' Reign

King Gustaf V. of Sweden recently celebrated the 30th anniversary of his accession to the Throne. The first King of the present Royal House of Sweden, Karl Johan, was Napoleon's Marshal Bernadotte.

Prince of Ponte Crovo, who was elected Hereditary Prince of Sweden in 1810, when the last king of the House of Vasa died, leaving no issue. This foreign origin can, however, be said to have disappeared in the second generation of the Royal House, with the result that the present Royal Family is truly Swedish.

The name Gustaf—which is also that of the present Crown Prince—is associated with the Vasa kings of glorious tradition.

On account of the delicate health of his father, Oscar II, King Gustaf, while Crown Prince, took an active part in the government of the realm, particularly during the critical year of 1905, when Norway broke away from the union with Sweden. The conduct of the King and the Crown Prince on this occasion contributed strongly to a peaceful settlement, and the final dissolution of the union was carried out in a way that has led to lasting friendship and increased confidence between the two peoples.

CHANGING TIMES

On his accession in 1907 King Gustaf showed that he had mastered the problems of the day and understood the change in the position of the Monarchy which had taken place as a result of the advance of democracy. The King did away with much of the pageantry of State occasions, dispensing in fact with the Coronation ceremony, and introduced, by way of setting a good example, greater simplicity in his daily life.

During the Great War King Gustaf played an important part, especially in safeguarding the position of the three Scandinavian kingdoms. In December, 1914, he invited the Kings of Denmark and Norway and their Prime Ministers and Foreign Ministers to a meeting in Malmö. At this meeting a common policy of neutrality and mutual economic assistance was inaugurated which was continued and strengthened as the strain caused by the War increased. Thus, during the later stages of the War, the three Northern Kingdoms formed practically a single area of production with free exchange of commodities.

The meeting at Malmö was followed by another at Oslo in 1917, at which King Gustaf made an appeal for a new kind of unity

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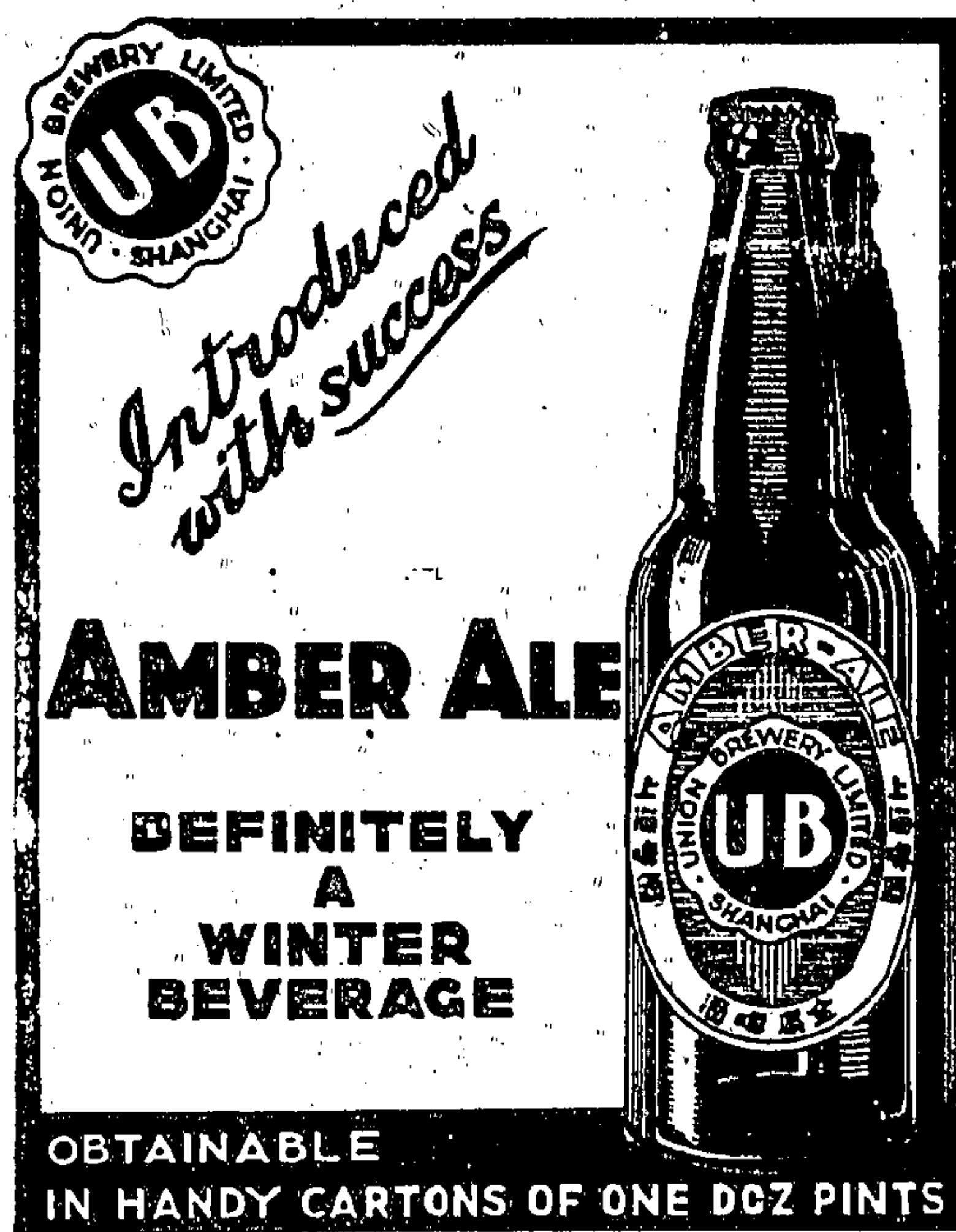
among the three countries. "Let us form a new union," he said, "not one of the old kind, but a union based on mutual understanding and goodwill, the vitality of which, I trust, will be of a more permanent character." It is impossible fully to estimate the importance of the co-operation thus initiated between the three countries, but it is certain that all three have benefited from it and will continue to do so.

PEOPLE AND MONARCHY

King Gustaf has shown great acumen in his judgment of modern political conditions, with the

result that the foundations of the Monarchy in Sweden stand firm. The progress of democracy during the present generation has inevitably to some extent circumscribed the Royal prerogative, but no essential alterations have been effected.

King Gustaf, though 79 years of age, has reached the 31st year of his reign in perfect mental and bodily health. He has always been a keen sportsman, and as everyone knows, he is a good lawn-tennis player. Even now he can play against—and defeat—younger opponents of repute.

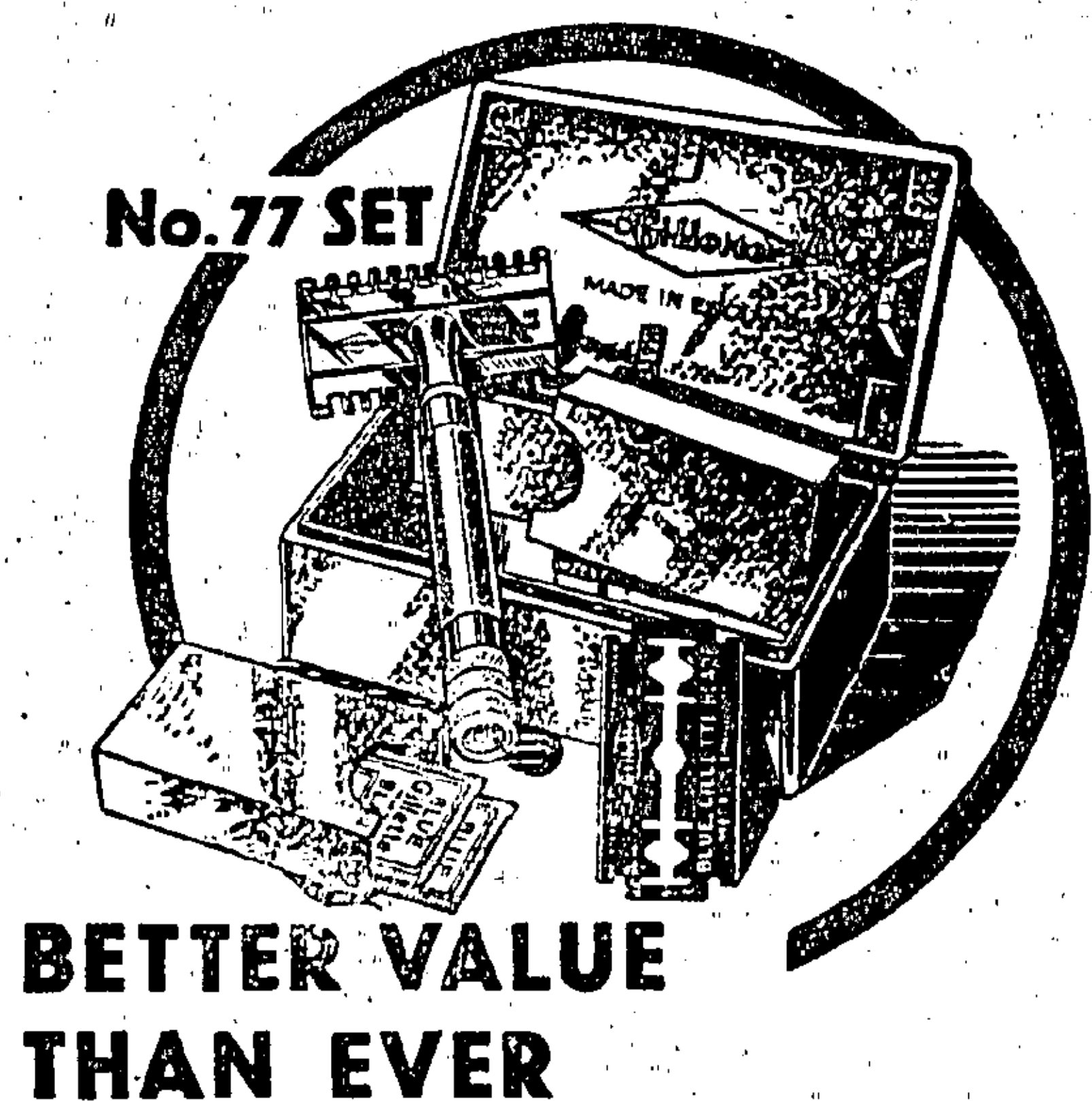


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CHINA WAR NEWS

HOIHOW RAID RECOUNTED

Woman Blown To Bits

Hoihow, Jan. 12.
When the fog lifted from the straits at about 7.30 this morning, the inhabitants of Hoihow were alarmed to find that two Japanese warships had crept in during the night and were anchored just outside of the harbour limits.

Anxious watchers kept the invaders under observation, but for well over an hour no untoward move could be discerned from the shore. Finally, at about 8.45, two large sea-planes left the vicinity of the vessels and circled over Hoihow, apparently conducting observations. They then disappeared for 15 minutes and later returned followed by three other machines, after which hell was let loose over Hoihow and the city of Klungchow, which is in the near vicinity.

DIRECT HITS

Two bombs scored direct hits on the Klungchow City Maternity Hospital, which was mercifully almost empty at the time and, although the buildings were razed to the ground, there were no casualties here.

One bomb hit the High Court Prison, four prisoners being killed and five others wounded.

Two bombs landed in the crowded slum area of the North Gate, demolishing two houses, but the occupants had already taken cover in safer quarters and fortunately nobody was killed. Nine bombs landed on open ground in the vicinity of the City.

BLASTED INTO SHREDS

The Scony Office had an extremely narrow escape, when a bomb landed directly on the building next door. This was blown to pieces and one young man was killed and two children seriously injured, while a maid-servant, who has been since missing, is believed to have been buried in the debris.

One bomb landed in a padd-field, where an old woman on her way to work was literally blasted into debris.

The raiders, in addition, machine-gunned the streets and buildings, but the inhabitants were all under cover, so that this last piece of unpleasantness had little effect.

Finally, at 11.45, the planes returned to the warships, which weighed anchor and departed at about 1.30 p.m. to the intense relief of all residents in this vicinity.

—Reuter

MASS BOMBING OF KWANGTUNG

Many Points Attacked But Little Damage Done

Canton, Jan. 17.
Kwangtung was subjected to more intensive bombing by Japanese aeroplanes yesterday. Between 35 and 45 planes took part in relays, according to official Chinese reports.

Eleven planes were reported to have been seen over Tungshan, flying in a northerly direction, and one squadron of 13 planes and another of 12 were reported to have been sighted over Shuntak.

Later, at 3 p.m., the Canton-Kowloon railway was subjected to three attacks by Japanese planes. Twelve bombs were dropped near Namkong at 4 o'clock, and a dozen bombs were also dropped near Shekpal an hour later.

The bridge at Shekpal was also raided, but the track was not damaged in any of the attacks.

Canton city itself was not raided and only one alarm, shortly after 1 p.m., was sounded.

—Reuter

JAPANESE ROUTED

Hsuehchow, Jan. 17.
The recapture by Chinese troops of Lianghsien, about twenty five kilometres south of Yenchow on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, on January 15 was confirmed by a wounded soldier who arrived here from the front to-day.

The Japanese forces there, according to the informant, were completely routed, while the Chinese suffered comparatively slight losses.

—Central News

DAY OF TERROR IN CHEFOO

Peace Preservation Corps Members Run Amuck

Chefoo, Jan. 17.

This city spent a day of terror on Saturday when members of the Peace Preservation Corps and police force, enraged by the refusal of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce to grant their request for an increase in pay, began looting. In the course of this series of reprisals a Chinese businessman was killed and a Chinese boy wounded in the leg.

The foreign residential district remained peaceful throughout the disturbance, as the police guarding that area did not join their comrades.

The outbreak was started by disgruntled members of the Peace Preservation Corps, who began looting shops and banks shortly after the Chamber of Commerce turned down their demands.

The example of the Peace Preservation Corps was soon followed by the police in three different areas.

Subsequently the two groups joined forces and kidnapped the chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, making off in the direction of a village on the western outskirts of the city.

Following their departure, the Chamber met again and decided to accede to the demands of the police and Peace Preservation Corps members. As a result the discontented police returned to the city and took up their duties again yesterday morning.

The chairman of the Chamber of Commerce was released.

The total sum involved in the looting and damage to shops is estimated at \$60,000.

Although the situation is quiet at present, the majority of the shops remain closed.

—Reuter

MORE JAPANESE PLANS

Tokyo, Jan. 17.

In Japanese quarters the significance of the manifesto issued by the Japanese Government yesterday is emphasised, the prevailing opinion being that the declaration will have far-reaching effects on Japanese home and foreign policy.

The "Asahi Shimbun" states that relations with China have been severed and the Japanese Ambassador to China, Mr. Kawagoe, has been recalled. The Chinese Ambassador has also left Japan.

Henceforth, Japan will watch carefully the development of the provisional government set up in Peiping and will lend it all the support possible. After the consolidation of a "real central government" in China, Japan will accord it recognition and in collaboration with it will carry out a programme for the rebuilding, simultaneously, of the three countries, Japan, China and Manchukuo.

—Transocean News Service

NO DECLARATION OF WAR?

Tokyo, Jan. 17.

pected, according to well-informed circles here.

It is feared that blockade of the China coast will result in international complications with undesirable consequences for Japan.

The press feels that the military campaign for the complete removal of the Chinese Central Government will now be intensified.

General Sugiyama, Minister of War, yesterday called a meeting of the departmental chiefs of the War Ministry and discussed with them the result of the Imperial Conference and also assigned to them the new tasks for the Japanese Army in China.

—Transocean News Service

STUDENT ARMY

Chengchow, Jan. 16.

Fired by patriotism, a large number of middle school students at Chengchow have enlisted in the Chinese army.

After adequate training, a batch of them has already left for the front to fight the Japanese invaders.

—Central News

JAPAN SEEKING U.S. CREDIT

Plans To Purchase Large Plant For Manchukuo

New York, Jan. 16.

A report that Japanese industrial interests are trying to establish a credit of \$450,000,000 in the United States for the purchase of machinery, is published in the "New York Times."

The report states that Mr. T. J. Watson, President of the International Business Machines Corporation of New York, has been approached as President of the American section of the International Chamber of Commerce in connection with the Japanese enquiry.

If arranged, the credit will be used for the purchase of plant for the Manchurian Heavy Industrial Development Company, which was organised on January 1, 1937, to take over the heavy industries of Manchukuo.

—Reuter

RAILWAYMEN URGE JAPAN BOYCOTT

Labour Enjoined To Make States Stop War Supplies

London, Jan. 16.

Urging a Japanese boycott at a meeting of railwaymen at Bristol to-day, Mr. John Marchbanks, General Secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen said three lines of action were open to the Labour movement.

In the first place, they could endeavour to get national centres affiliated to the National Federation of Trade Unions and the Socialist International simultaneously to urge their governments individually to place an embargo on ships leaving each country with cargoes of essential materials for Japanese war industries.

Secondly, the British Trades Union Council and Labour Party could request their own Government to take unilateral action on these lines and to invite other governments to take similar action.

Thirdly, failing this, the responsibility would lie upon the British trade unions and Labour movement to refuse to handle exports and imports to and from Japan. That would be a very serious step, but it was impossible to allow the Japanese invasion and conquest of China to continue. He hoped it would not be necessary even to consider that line of action.

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SOVIET PAYMENTS TO ITALY

Moscow, Jan. 16.

All Soviet payments to Italian firms and enterprises will, in future be made through a special account in the Soviet State Bank. This step is being taken to counter payments withheld from Soviet organisations by Italian firms.

—Reuter

BONNET STRIVING TO FORM A CABINET

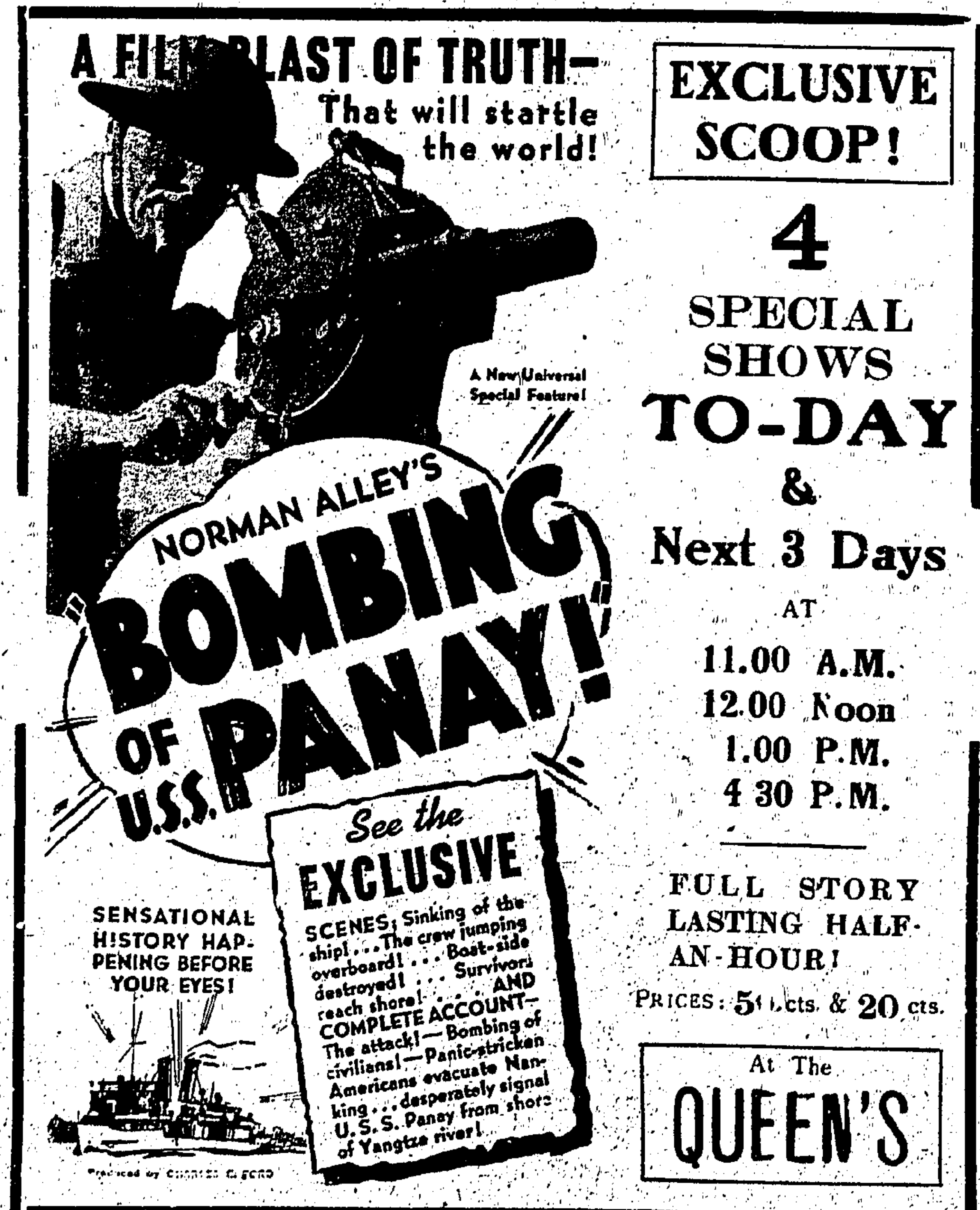
Paris, Jan. 16.

M. Bonnet, who has been requested by President Lebrun to form a Cabinet, started early in the morning in his round of visits to leading statesmen.

The situation is still confused, and it is generally felt that M. Bonnet is not likely to succeed in forming a Cabinet, or if he succeeds, he will not be able to secure the majority of the Chamber.

The transport strike in Lielle was called off this morning.

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THE SERVICES

(By The Air Mail, London Dec. 28.)

ROYAL NAVY

Christmas leave in H.M.S. Centurion, fleet target vessel, expired on December 29, having been taken earlier than in other ships of the Home Fleet. Before the Centurion begins her New Year programme Captain W. N. T. Beckett, M.V.O., D.S.C., will be succeeded in command by Captain A. C. Collinson, who has attended the 1937 course at the Imperial Defence College.

NEW SUBMARINE

The submarine Sterlet, launched at Chatham Dockyard on September 22, has been commissioned with a special complement for trials and subsequent service in the 5th Submarine Flotilla Portsmouth, as a tender to H.M.S. Dolphin. The Sterlet is the last of the 12 submarines of the Swordfish type, begun in 1930.

COMMISSION OF THE MILFORD

The escort vessel Milford recommissioned at Portsmouth on Dec. 29 for further service on the Africa Station. She has been undergoing a refit since her return home in October. Captain E. C. Thornton, D.S.C., will be succeeded in command by Captain R. L. B. Cunliffe, who has been relieved at the Admiralty by Captain N. V. Grace.

SENIOR F.A.A. OFFICER

Commander Guy Willoughby is joining the aircraft-carrier Glorious for duty as Senior Fleet Air Arm Officer in succession to Wing Commander Robert Halley, D.F.C., A.F.C., R.A.F. This is the first time that the appointment in this ship has been held by a naval officer. The Glorious is recommissioned at Devonport on January 4 for further service in the Mediterranean.

SCARCITY OF COOKS

An Order in Council states that the entry of continuous service cooks in the Fleet is at present insufficient to meet requirements, and the Admiralty consider it expedient to introduce a system of non-continuous service for ship's cook ratings to that already in force for officers' cooks. The following daily rates of pay are approved:—Assistant cook, 2s.; cook (S), 3s. 3d.; after three years as such, 3s. 7d.; after six years as such, 3s. 11d. (time as assistant cook over the age of 18 to count for triennial increments of pay); leading cook (S), 4s. 10d.; after three years as such, 5s. 2d.

ROBBERY ON A JUNK

Mirs Bay Crime Recalled

Charged with having participated in a robbery on board a junk in Ping Chau Island, Mirs Bay, on the night of October 19, Li Tam-wai, unemployed, stood trial before the Chief Justice, Sir Athol MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

The complainants were Wong Che-kwong, who was robbed of four sacks of rice, eight tins of biscuits, 15 boxes of cigarettes and a quantity of groceries, and Li Kat-fai, who lost a sun helmet and four suits of clothing.

The jury empaneled for the case were Messrs. J. R. Jones (foreman), W. A. Tanley, J. Adam, H. R. Wells, J. E. da Rocha, Lai Kwong-hing and L. G. Rozario.

SIX OR SEVEN MEN

Outlining the case for the Crown Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, remarked that Wong was the master of a grocery shop in Ping Chau Island, and on October 18 he left there for Shau-kiwan for the purpose of making purchases for his store. He returned on the following night in a junk on board of which was another passenger, Li Tat-fai, the master and a folk. About 9 p.m., a small boat, having six or seven men on board, was noticed a few feet away from the junk. Four of the men, armed with revolvers, a knife and a long gun jumped on board the junk, including accused, who was recognised by first complainant as a fellow-villager. The victims were ordered down into the hold, where they remained for about two hours.

After ransacking the junks, the robbers departed in the direction of Chinese territory. A report of the crime was subsequently made to the Police, and on November 25 as a result of certain information received, Sergeant Wilcox went to a house in Chau Tau Village, where he arrested accused who was hiding underneath a bed. Hearing was adjourned until 10 a.m. to-day.

THE ARMY

BANDMASTERS

Bandmaster T. S. Chandler, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M., p.s.m. of the Band of the Royal Tank Corps, has been appointed Director of Music, Welsh Guards, in succession to Major A. Harris M.V.O. L.R.A.M., p.s.m., who has retired.

Bandmaster A. Lemolne, p.s.m., 12th Royal Lancers, has been appointed to the Band of the Royal Tank Corps, in succession to Bandmaster Chandler.

68TH FIELD BRIGADE

The War Office announces that Major J. A. Hooker has been selected for command of the 68th (South Midland) Field Brigade, Royal Artillery, Territorial Army, in succession to Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel C. A. H. Fairbank, M.C., T.D., whose tenure has expired.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

TRAINING GROUP STAFF

Squadron Leader A. D. Rogers, A.F.C., has been appointed to No. 23 (Training) Group, Grantham, for personnel staff duties, and Squadron Leader Andrew McKee, hitherto Adjutant of No. 500 (County of Kent) Squadron at Manston, has succeeded him on flying duties with No. 99 (Bomber) Squadron at Mildenhall.

CHINA SQUADRON DISPOSITION

The following is the disposition of H.M. Ships in North China: Shanghai: Grimsby.

Tsingtao: Delight. Chefoo: Lowestoft.

Wei-hai-wei: Sandwich, Suffolk. Amoy: Duchess.

Swatow: Thracian.

WARSHIPS IN HARBOUR

The following are the berthings of warships in port: North Wall: Capetown.

South Wall: Herald, Moth.

East Wall: Grampus.

North Arm: Cumberland, Fal-mouth.

West Wall: Adventure.

Dock: Parthian, Phoenix, Rorqual.

No. 6 Buoy: Dorsetshire.

No. 13 Buoy: Daring.

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR

French: Dumont D'Urville.

Chinese: C.M.C. Cruisers (15), Transports (2), Gunboats (2).

MOVEMENTS

H.M.S. Dorsetshire arrived here at 11 a.m. yesterday.

H.M.S. Folkestone is on passage to Hong Kong.

ILL-TREATMENT OF MUI TSAI ALLEGED

Keeping an unregistered mui tsai and ill-treating the girl formed the charges against Hong Wai, aged 45, and described as an engineer of No. 32, Ngau Chi Wan Road, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. Mr. K. M. A. Barnett was the magistrate who took the case.

Defendant faced three charges and was remanded for seven days. Kong Pun-sze, married woman, who was mentioned in the first charge, was also remanded for seven days, bail being granted in the sum of \$40 each.

Mr. H. W. Fraser, Inspector of Mui tsais, prosecuted while Mr. F. E. Nash was for the defence.

WANTED FREE TRIP!

Chueng Hung, aged 33, unemployed, was fined \$10 by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday when convicted of attempting to travel on the Yau-mat Vehicular Ferry launch Man Yeung without paying his fare last Saturday.

Defendant pleaded not guilty and, in evidence, Mr. T. L. Bell, Inspector employed by the ferry company, said he saw the man in a part of the launch where passengers were not allowed. Had he entered through the turnstile he could not possibly have been where he was found.

POSSESSION OF DUTIABLE SPIRIT

Appearing on remand before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday on charges of possession of a still fermenting materials and dutiable spirit, Lau Chuen, aged 20, residing at No. 25, Rute Street, 3rd floor, was ordered to pay a total fine of \$120 or 18 weeks' imprisonment. Revenue Officer Warden prosecuted.

CONQUEST OF THE TROPICS

Talk By Professor Middleton-Smith

When the sun of Graduation Day has set, the young graduate is faced with the stern reality of finding a job. Optimism carries one to the goal. So the five, out of six successful engineering Rice Hall graduates, who joined one of their old mentors, Professor Middleton-Smith, at dinner in their old Hostel on Sunday night, must have been heartened by the many examples of former Hong Kong University engineering students whose careers, as outlined by the Professor, were happy successes.

After dinner, the chairman, Mr. Ho Hung Chiu, in neatly introducing Professor Middleton-Smith, remarked that in him students recognised one who had helped the University in its growth from infancy to its present healthy manhood, to play its part in the 'Conquest of the Tropics' on which the Professor was now going to speak. At the end a hearty vote of thanks proposed by Fr. Donnelly and supported by the chairman, was heartily accorded.

VAST RESOURCES

In the course of his address Professor Middleton-Smith gave some interesting details of the rapid changes that have taken place, in recent years, in the lives of people who are developing the vast natural resources of the tropics. He suggested that the new knowledge which enables us to obtain ideal atmospheric conditions within buildings in tropical lands will have an even more remarkable effect upon the transformation of those regions.

Scientific researches he said have provided the inhabitants of equatorial regions with knowledge that enables them no longer to fear the deadly diseases that formerly caused these places to be referred to as 'the white man's grave.' Improved methods of transport, water supply, and a careful study of insect and vegetable life, have increased the supply of raw materials exported from the tropics, but only a fraction of the potential annual output is at present utilised for the benefit of humanity.

LAW OF LIFE

He continued that the earth and its kindly fruits form, in reality, an enormous heritage for the human race; but if we are now and hereafter to profit from it in full degree, it is essential, not only to apply existing scientific knowledge to the problem, but to increase our store of such knowledge. The law of life is changed. Very great alterations in life in Hong Kong have been produced by scientific researches.

"If you are interested in research work," he said, "you learn one thing which the general public does not realise. It is that changes in life on this planet are coming fast, and the frontiers of knowledge are being swiftly extended."

INSTALLATIONS IN HONG KONG

Manufacturers now offer equipment capable of creating an ideal atmosphere in offices and in homes in almost any part of the world. The experience obtained with these installations in Hong Kong, and even in parts of China not in the tropical zone, is most encouraging.

The largest equipment in the tropics known to the writer to provide ideal atmospheric conditions in a building is in Hong Kong. The plant has been in operation rather more than two years. The total volume of the space within the magnificent headquarters of the premier bank in the Far East is approximately 2,300,000 cubic feet. The building includes a main banking hall, offices for rent, residential quarters for members of the staff, etc.

There are about 400 people at work each day within the building and it is estimated that about 100 more pass in and out each hour—most of them through the banking hall.

The air in the building is conditioned in six sections and, if desired, the different parts of the building supplied by the conditioner (or "washer" as it is often called) in a section, can be provided with air of different degrees of temperature and humidity.

NOTABLE RESULT

A notable result of this great experiment has been the general opinion expressed in Hong Kong by many business men that all new office buildings will be supplied with air conditioning plant.

It is a fact that the many offices for rent in the bank building were soon occupied, and leading firms in the Colony left out-of-date premises to obtain the more healthy conditions. It was noticeable that

H.K. POLICE RESERVE

(Orders by The Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Commissioner of Police).

CHINESE COMPANY

Anti Gas Lectures.—The under-mentioned members will report daily at Chinese Company Headquarters at 17.30 hours on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, January 19, 20 and 21, 1938, for Anti-Gas Course Lectures:—

Constables: R47 Leung U San, R48 Thomas Thim Wong, R49 Lam Man, R50 Sit Pui Hang, R51 Cheng Ching Lam, R52 Hoo Kam Chiu, R53 Wan Chiu, R57 Wong Man Ying, R58 Chiu Tsun Ki, R59 George Chan, R61 Lo Yuk Nam, and R62 Lau Chung Hon.

Patrol Duty.—Nightly between 18.00 hours and midnight by members as detailed by the Officer in Charge of Company.

INDIAN COMPANY

Commendation.—Constable R223 Firdos Khan is commended by the Commissioner of Police for zeal and alertness in arresting a Chinese Male who was convicted for Larceny.

Training Course.—Part II. The undermentioned members of the Indian Company will attend Indian Company Headquarters for Part II of Training Course on Tuesday, January 18, 1938, at 17.30 hours:—

Constables: R246 M. Y. Khan, R297 Karam Khan, R211 S. Aras, R215 Feroz Khan, R219 Nur Ahmed Asghar, R279 Mir Walli Khan, and R221 Hakim Ali.

Patrol Duty.—Nightly between 18.00 hours and midnight by members as detailed by the Officer in Charge of Company.

EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE

Motor Patrol.—A motor patrol will be carried out by members of the Emergency Unit Reserve on Wednesday, January 19, 1938. All members will parade outside Queen's Pier at 17.30 hours. Dress—Optional.

Patrol Duties.—All members of the Emergency Unit Reserve will report for duty at their stations at 19.45 hours on Friday, January 21, 1938. Dress—Blue Uniform. Cap with no cover, Blue Puttees. Belt with Brace, Truncheons, and Revolvers to be carried.

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Hong Kong, Monday, Jan. 17.

WEDDINGS AT THE REGISTRY

Miss Hong Wing Chung, of No. 58 Village Road, was married to Mr. Chan Chun Nam, clerk of the Bank of Canton, residing at No. 144 Talpo Road, first floor, at the Registry of marriages yesterday before Mr. W. Aneurin Jones, Deputy Registrar of Marriages. The bride is the daughter of Mr. Hung Hok Yau, merchant, and the bridegroom's father is Mr. Chan Yuk Ng. The witnesses were the parents of the couple.

In the presence of Messrs. Ma Kiam and Lin Kung Sher, Miss Lin Shu Nung, of No. 47 Robinson Road, second floor, daughter of Mr. Lin Wai Sang, merchant, was married to Mr. Chen Li Sung, residing at No. 9 Conduit Road, son of Mr. Chen Chun Sam, merchant.

FUNERAL OF LATE MR. D. H. COOPER

The funeral of the late Mr. D. H. Cooper, one of the oldest Parsee residents in Hong Kong, who died on Sunday at the age of 87 years, took place yesterday morning at the Parsee Cemetery in the presence of many friends.

Dastur D. Kotewall officiated, and among those present were Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Talati, Dr. N. Karanjia, Mr. R. J. Master, Mr. R. Pestonjee, Mr. J. Kotewall, Mr. Felix A. Mody, Mr. M. M. Nemazee, Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Pavri, Mr. R. E. Desai, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Patel and others.

HEALTH RETURNS

Three cases of small-pox, two of dysentery and one of cerebro-spinal fever were reported to the Health Authorities for the 48 hours ended on Sunday.

amongst the first to move were the members of the American Club whose premises occupy a large floor area in the bank building.

The saving of fans, cleaning, less depreciation of furniture, and above all else, the increase in human efficiency, due to air conditioning, make its progress in the tropics certain.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME.

The Tai Sang Steamship Company, Limited, whose registered office is situated at No. 122, Queen's Road Central, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong hereby give notice that in consequence of the resolution of their Board of Directors to change the name of the steamship "Charles Hardouin" recently acquired by the Company they have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the said ship "Charles Hardouin" of the Port of Hong Kong Official number 153329 of gross tonnage 1,664.56 tons, register tonnage 1,053.71 tons formerly owned by the Tung On Steamship Company, Limited, whose registered office is situated at No. 122, Queen's Road Central for the permission to change her name to "Kau Tung" (交通) and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Hong Kong as owned by the said Tai Sang Steamship Company, Ltd.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hong Kong within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at Hong Kong, this 18th day of January, 1938.

WOO & WOO,
Solicitors for the said Tai Sang Steamship Company, Limited.

In the Estate of ANN SHEWAN otherwise known as ANNIE FAIRALL formerly of 1, North Point Bungalow, Shaokwan in the Colony of Hong Kong, widow, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all creditors or other persons having any claim of whatsoever nature or kind against the Estate of the above named deceased, who died in Hong Kong intestate on the 3rd day of November, 1937, should send particulars of their claims and demands in writing to the undersigned as soon as possible.

Dated the 14th day of January, 1938.

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Hong Kong,
Solicitors for the Administrators.

PEACE WITH BRITAIN

Germany's Wish And Naval Pact

London, Jan. 17. Germany's wish to be at peace with Britain and to remove all obstacles in the way of mutual understanding and friendship was fully recognised in a recent article in the "Daily Telegraph" by Mr. Hector Bywater, Naval Correspondent. His article also showed that the Naval Pact is working well.

Mr. Bywater's article continued as follows:—

"It is now known that Herr Hitler personally initiated this demarche (Naval Pact), with a view to rendering impossible a repetition of the naval rivalry which had so gravely prejudiced Anglo-German relations before the war."

"His success was assured at the outset, for the first German proposal was that the future strength of the German navy in relation to the aggregate strength of the British Commonwealth should be in proportion of 35 to 100. The suggestion at once placed the good faith of the German Government beyond doubt."

The proposal, eminently moderate in the circumstances, stood in agreeable contrast to the German attitude of 1912, when the Kaiser, prompted by Admiral Tirpitz, rejected as inadmissible a proposed ratio of 60 to 100.

STUMBLING BLOCK

"In the light of these explicit undertakings it is impossible to doubt the genuineness of Germany's desire to remove, once and for all, what has proved in the past to be the greatest stumbling block in the path of Anglo-German relations."

Coming from the "Daily Telegraph's" official Naval Correspondent, these words are very enlightening, and would seem to show that Germany had done much towards evening possible difficulties with the British Empire, and paving the way for really lasting understanding. It is, perhaps, interesting to note that Germany made a further offer regarding the Air Force, and finally one for limiting armaments in general. The naval offer became known because it was accepted, while the other offers were ignored. But the "Daily Telegraph" is right, all the same—the "greatest stumbling block" to Anglo-German friendship was removed for ever by Hitler's proposal of the Naval Pact.

JEWS WOUNDED

Jerusalem, Jan. 17. Two Jews were wounded when a potash transport lorry was fired on this morning on the Jerusalem-Jericho Road near Jerusalem.

The Jewish drivers, who were armed with rifles, drove off the attackers.

The British authorities are searching for the attackers with the assistance of aircraft, troops and police dogs.

ENGAGEMENT

COOKE-PRYCE—The engagement is announced between Cecil A. M. Cooke, son of Doctor and Mrs. Martin Cooke, of Upper Norwood, London, and Edna Eileen, daughter of the late A. Mather Pryce and Mrs. H. H. Knowles, of Batavia.

DEATHS

DIETRICH—On January 9, 1938, at Tientsin, Mr. Jack Dietrich, 61 years, dearly-beloved husband of Sabina and father of Mina and Molly Dietrich.

SKVORZOV—On January 11, 1938, at Harbin, Vasily Alexandrovich Skvortsov, aged 32, formerly Chief Judge of Russian Imperial Court in Manchuria.

NUNES—On January 11, 1938, at Lane 79, House 5, Moulmein Road, Eliza Clotilde, aged 1 year 3 months, the dearly-beloved infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. F. Nunes.

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MADNESS

One of the most pitiful things about madness is generally the sincerity of the victim. He may do and say things that are astonishing and astounding to on-lookers but which, to him, seem perfectly feasible and simple. He will, as a rule, strongly resent any aspersion on his sanity, and the resentment will be perfectly sincere. These characteristics appear in a particularly pronounced degree in what are known as megalomaniacs—people who, through some mischance or hallucination, acquire exaggerated notions of their own might, majesty, dominion and power. That is an affliction that might assail any human being, and so long as the sufferer is an ordinary man-in-the-street, no great harm is done—he merely becomes the butt of mild jocularity. Unfortunately, however, the malady seems most prevalent among people in positions of power—especially great power quickly acquired—and it is then that they become a menace to society.

We have a feeling that the militarists of Japan are victims of this peculiar type of madness. Ever since the termination of the world war the military clique of Japan has been gaining power and to-day they are supreme in all the land. What has been Japan's contribution to world peace, law, order and civilisation during that time? She was the first to send an army of conquest to a foreign country. She was the first to leave the League of Nations among the great Powers. She started the arms race as a result of which the world is now heading for war. Quick to take offence in the manner of a neurotic child, she has seen something insulting or derogatory in all the efforts of the Western Powers to limit the size of navies and ships. And to crown it all this self-imposed guardian of Asiatic prestige has constantly and consistently pursued a policy of browbeating, bullying and generally attempting to knock the soul out of every race of people over whom she has held the upper hand. There is Korea. Has any country been the victim of greater exploitation in very sense of the world than has Korea during the present century? And now, it seems, Japan would do the same with China. With bomb and shell Japan's fighting machine has taken possession of a vast tract of Chinese soil. The seat of the Central Government which had been doing magnificent work for the uplift of the Chinese masses, through Chiang Kai-shek, has been occupied and, the invaders have set up their own puppet government in Peking. So far as Japan is concerned, the Central Government has now, apparently, ceased to exist and Japan is looking forward to the growth of a new Chinese regime and the building up of a "rejuvenated China."

Reasoning such as that is hardly consistent with sanity. The infinitely greater portion of China is still held by the Chinese whose unity grows stronger with every shot fired by Japanese soldiers and every bomb hurled by her airmen on defenceless, non-combatants. The whole civilised world refuses, and will continue to refuse, to acknowledge the right of Japan to

ANGLO-IRISH DISCUSSIONS

Eire Delegates Desire Some Concession

London, Jan. 18. Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Prime Minister, returned to Downing Street this evening from Chequers where he spent the week-end making the final preparations for his talks with the Irish delegation to-morrow afternoon.

The Irish delegation held a final meeting in the afternoon when, it is understood, it reached an agreement regarding the necessity of obtaining some concession on the unity of Ireland. This question, therefore, is likely to be discussed first to-morrow. If a concession of some sort is not made, there is little likelihood of agreement being reached on any other issue, and the conference will founder on the rock of partition.

Mr. Eamon De Valera, President of the Irish Republic, in a message this evening, declared: "There are great difficulties to overcome. As far as the Irish delegation is concerned, we earnestly desire to lay the foundation of friendly relations between the peoples of the two countries, and we hope in the present conversations, some progress may be made towards that end."

It is understood the attitude of the Irish delegation on partition is that they cannot return without some hope about partition. The problem cannot remain untouched. No formal agenda has been prepared for Monday's meeting.

Among those who arranged tables of Contract were Mrs. Boyd, Mrs. A. V. Baker, Mrs. Burk, Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. Cock, Mrs. Dalzell, Mrs. Doughty, Mrs. Dunbar, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Greaves, Mrs. Henry, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. James, Mrs. Middleton-Smith, Mrs. Maitland, Mrs. MacKiehn, Mrs. Mac-

an inch of Chinese soil acquired through force of arms. But Japan thinks she is so great that she can tell the world to mind: its own business. Japan's parrot-cry is "peace in East Asia," but her path of peace is one hewn and lined with steel bayonets. In the name of common-sense and sanity, how, we ask, is it possible to maintain peace, law, order and civilisation while millions of people are crying out for revenge against the iron heel of a ruthless neighbour? How can there be peace in East Asia while Japan dominates a sturdy, virile and gigantic race of cultured people whose love of liberty and independence dates back to the times when the Japanese were going about killing and plundering? But the Japanese leaders who have been instrumental in bringing about this deplorable state of affairs have pinned their faith to the god of Mars. Any civilisation built up and pursued on the doctrine that the sword is the mightiest force in the world must fail, because it is conceived and born of madness.

ARMIES OLD AND NEW

Someone at the War Office, after examining recent papers from members of public-school O.T.C.s who were sitting for cadets' certificates, recently reported himself as a little shocked by the lack of knowledge displayed. In particular he finds himself perplexed by the spelling and geography; he has noted mistakes that are "rather startling as coming from candidates who had presumably matriculated or passed some equivalent educational test." Why "presumably"? It is by no means certain that all scholars at a public school can or will matriculate; still less certain that those who are keen on the O.T.C. will be up to that increasingly stiff standard of academic polish. Many a budding soldier (or one who once regarded himself in that light) has been a singularly bad speller; the displeased examiner at the War Office should look at his "Esmond" again and consider the case of "the young scapegrace" Frank Castlewood, who at the ripe age of one-and-twenty years decided to send in his papers, "having had enuf of soldiering," and being determined, as proof of his having sowed his "wild oats," to marry his beloved "Clotilda at Brussels." It is disturbing, perhaps, to discover that there are still "Castlewoods" as candidates for an ultimate commission who cannot spell "reconnaissance" and who think that Ceylon is an island in the Mediterranean; disturbing but not, the world being what it is and young men what they are, specially surprising. The really important thing is to weed them out and to let them know that the Army is no longer a high-spirited haven for the fool of the family but a career which expects a mind as well as muscles and, above all things, a real capacity for mastering those dull things which are called details.

If Gossip We Must

(BY "PRUDENCE")

In aid of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, the Bridge and Mahjong Drive held yesterday afternoon in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel was an unqualified success.

Organised and arranged by that very popular lady, Mrs. J. T. Smalley, the affair was attended by several hundred people, with H.E. the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, at the head of the list.

Playing at His Excellency's table were the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith and Mrs. Smith and Mrs. J. H. Taggart. Others who brought parties were Sir Atholl and Lady MacGregor, His Honour Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell and Mrs. Lindsell, Mrs. A. W. Bartholomew, Brigadier A. B. Thomson, Colonel Austin and the Comtesse de Courseilles.

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kenzie, Mrs. Newill, Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Mason, Mrs. Oliver, Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Parkes, Mrs. Scull, Mrs. Swan, Mrs. Stark, Mrs. Womack and Mrs. Wylie.

Mahjong had many devotees, among them being Mrs. Alabaster, Mrs. Bu Tong-sen, Mrs. Bateman, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Costello, Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Kharegat, Mrs. Mather, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Witchell and Mrs. Well.

Among those who helped Mrs. Smalley both in the selling of tickets and also in the arrangement of tables were Mrs. D. Forbes, Mrs. F. H. Loseby, Mrs. G. H. Lakeman, Mrs. Whitham, Mrs. Dawson, Miss Pat Potter, Miss Peggy Humphreys and Miss Mary Smalley.

In a charming speech before he asked H.E. the Governor to give away the prizes, Sir Atholl MacGregor said that another delightful afternoon being over, he hoped that everyone had enjoyed it as much as himself, and pointed out that the occasion was especially memorable as they had been honoured by the presence of His

Excellency the Governor, and also that it was the very first occasion that any Hong Kong Governor had taken part in a charity game of bridge.

"We owe the whole organization to Mrs. Smalley," said Sir Atholl, "in spite of the fact that she has been ill for several weeks, and has run the whole of this brilliantly creditable work from the telephone by her bedside."

Warm applause greeted the close of his speech.

Very attractive were the prizes, which were won by the following ladies:

Contract Bridge: First prize to Mrs. Crappell (with the phenomenal score of 5,460); Second, Mrs. P. Stubbs; Third, Mrs. Norman.

Mahjong: First, Mrs. Westlake; Second, Mrs. Grayson, and Third, Mrs. McInnes.

A delicious tea was served during the afternoon, and at the end of play many attractive "Cumshaws" were auctioned by Mr. V. C. Labrum, who brought his persuasive powers and sense of fun to bear on his audience with good effect.

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES

(Continued from Page 1).

"GEN. CHIANG'S" GUNBOATS

Witness did not believe him at first but, he produced a photo showing himself in uniform and a medal with Chinese letters, the meaning of which, according to witness, was that he was "something important." That convinced witness. Defendant then went on to say that he transported goods to Canton by means of gunboats belonging to "General Chiang" as well as by steamers.

"I told him any goods supplied by us must not be sold in Hong Kong," witness continued. "He then ordered \$250 worth of hosiery, giving me a cheque for it. That cheque was duly honoured. On December 6, he ordered goods to the value of \$250, for which he gave me a post-dated cheque. This cheque was also honoured."

"Between 6th and 24th he did further transactions with me, paying both by cash cheques and cheques post-dated a couple of days. These transactions totalled about \$3,000 and all the cheques were duly honoured. No one of these transactions exceeded \$800," witness continued.

"On December 28, he ordered on two different occasions two lots of goods. One was for \$930 and the other for \$310. Cheques were also given for these orders, one on the Bank of Communications and the other on the Bank of Kwangsi. These were dated Dec. 20th. Later on the same day he took \$70 in cash from me."

MORE GOODS

"One of the cheques was returned by the Hong Kong Bank marked 'insufficient funds.' I rang him up and he said it must be a mistake. Later he took me to the Bank of

Kwangsi and there the cheque was cashed. I asked him about the cheque for \$310 and he said that would be alright.

"About 4.30 that afternoon he came to my store and asked for more goods. I told him I was feeling rather doubtful as a cheque, had been returned and asked him how much he wanted. He said, '\$1,377,' and I told him I preferred to deal in cash. He said it was too late to get further cash from the bank to-night and he wanted further goods to export by a gunboat as otherwise it might affect his business. He also said 'I have no intention of cheating you, or I would not have paid you the \$930. As I was still doubtful I demanded an uncashed cheque dated the next day (December 31) and he said he had money in the Bank to meet it.'

This cheque which was for \$1,447 (including the cash defendant had allegedly taken from complainant) was handed in as an exhibit.

"OUT OF ORDER"

At this point Mr. Remedios interposed a remark.

Mr. Silva: I wish Mr. Remedios would leave off commenting till a later stage.

Mr. Remedios: I must make that now to draw His Worship's attention.

Mr. Silva: I rather think Mr. Remedios is out of order. I sincerely trust he will not disturb my examination again.

Mr. Remedios: I am not disturbing.

Continuing, Mr. Murjan said defendant called again at about 7 p.m. on the same day and asked for further goods to the value of

EMPRESS OF ETHIOPIA

London, Jan. 17.

The Empress of Ethiopia left London to-day for a three months' stay in Palestine, reportedly due to health reasons. She is expected to return to England during the summer.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

WARNING TO MARINERS

Masters of vessels are warned to proceed very slowly when passing the Kausing, which is lying on the south shore of Tsing I Island.

\$1,500. Here Mr. Remedios again interposed, objecting to this evidence.

Mr. Silva: I have never heard such nonsense in my life.

Mr. Remedios: It is not nonsense and if you have not you are hearing it now.

Mr. Silva: For your benefit I am stating at this stage that I am going to adduce further evidence of false pretences showing system.

Mr. Remedios: I shall apply for notice of it.

Mr. Silva: I am giving you notice now.

Mr. Remedios: Your notice is rather late, Mr. Silva—taking the defence by surprise.

A little later in the examination, Mr. Remedios declared: Please do not lead, Mr. Silva, please do not lead. You may ask questions, but please do not lead.

Continuing, witness described how the cheque for \$310, one of the two given on December 28, had been returned marked "insufficient funds" and how, on visiting the address defendant had given him as his residence, he found he was unknown there.

"I WILL CHEAT SOMEONE ELSE"

Eventually, after reporting to the police, witness contacted defendant, subsequent to many failures, at his office on January 5. He told him that the two cheques had been dishonoured and he replied that he knew it. "He told me he was sorry," witness continued, "as he had only just found out that I was the manager and not the boss of the Britannia. He said he had wanted to cheat me for much more in the first place but when he found I was only the manager and would be responsible for the money, his heart turned from cheating me some more. He asked me to wait for a day more, saying he thought he would be able to cheat some one else and pay me back the money." (Laughter).

"I asked him about the goods and he said they had been exported. I did not see him on 6th, and on the 7th I consulted a solicitor and a warrant was issued."

Witness went on to say that though he had made a verbal agreement with defendant that the goods were not to be sold in Hong Kong they had in fact been sold. Mr. Silva handed up various bills, showing transactions with different firms in the goods which had been obtained from complainant. These transactions showed losses to the defendant, according to the prices fixed by the complainant's firm.

At this stage the hearing was adjourned till January 28.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Dr. J. Heng Liu, Chinese Minister of Health, who had been staying at the Gloucester Hotel, accompanied members of the League of Nations Epidemics Commission, to Canton on Saturday. He is expected to return in a few days time.

Dr. F. A. Heide, chief of the Bacteriological and Hygienic Department of the Military Medical Academy in Canton, came down last week to meet the League Commission, and is residing at the Hong Kong Hotel. At the Hong Kong University last night, Dr. Heide exhibited a film which he recently made of microscopic work.

Mr. Arthur Menken, well-known Paramount Newsreel cameraman, who filmed the siege and fall of Nanking, is staying at the Hong Kong Hotel.

Mr. V. E. Ferrier, Canton representative of Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company, is on a short business trip to the Colony, and is a guest at the Gloucester

Amongst the passengers leaving for Hankow by the C.N.A.C. plane yesterday was Mr. E. O. Butler, well-known member of the staff of the most popular jockeys here.

Two well-known Hong Kong girls, Miss Tammy Gonzales, daughter of Prof. F. Gonzales and member of Kowloon Tong Club's 1936 badminton team, and Miss Janet Skipper, formerly with the Anglo-Chinese-Philippine Finance and Investment Co., Ltd., are now on the staff of the United Press in Manila.

Friends of Lady Margaret Ho Tung, who was recently indisposed, will be glad to learn that she has made good progress towards recovery.

A son was born on Sunday to Mrs. E. S. Cunningham, wife of the popular staff member of the Colonial Secretary's Office.

Miss Stella Hyndman of the "Cotogen" Department, of the Nestle Anglo Swiss Milk Co., will leave the Colony on February 5, for Manila for her annual holiday. We understand she will be the guest of Mrs. F. del Rosario in Manila.

DR. KUNG QUESTIONED BY CORRESPONDENTS

Nobody Knows Real Intentions Of The Japanese

"IF PEACE IS DISCUSSED WE WANT LASTING PEACE"

Hankow, January 17.
Dr. H. H. Kung, Premier and Finance Minister, had to reply to a barrage of questions concerning Japan's rumoured peace terms and the Japanese Government's declaration repudiating the Chinese Government when he gave a tea and reception to-day to foreign correspondents at the Central Bank.

Dr. Kung declined to make an official statement. He said, that all "interpretations and inferences" from his answers must be on the responsibility of the correspondents themselves. Much significance was attached to Dr. Kung's reply, "If the Japanese Government continually talks about peace terms it must have sent some." Asked if the Chinese Government had rejected Japan's peace terms, he replied, "It is very difficult to define rejection. Whether a request for elucidation on certain important points or whether some but not all of the terms are found to be acceptable can be called rejection is open to discussion."

When asked if the Chinese Government had refused to discuss peace, Dr. Kung answered, "China never wanted war so whenever Japan ceases military operations China will be found ready to discuss peace." Asked if Manchuria's status would come under discussion, he replied, "If peace is discussed we want lasting peace. All questions therefore must come under discussion." In this connection Dr. Kung declared in regard to the Japanese Government's statement repudiating the National Government, "How can we discuss peace if Japan does not even consider us as China's Government?" Asked what would China do if Japan recalled her Ambassador, Mr. Kawagoe, Dr. Kung replied, "It is within reason that we shall recall our Ambassador from Tokyo." Asked if such

a step meant severance of relations between Japan and China, Dr. Kung said, "The fact speaks for itself."

Referring to the Peiping regime, Dr. Kung declared, "Has Peiping a Government? It is not the Government of China if it is not supported by the Chinese people or friendly Powers." Asked regarding the future intentions of the Japanese Government, Dr. Kung stated, "The popular phrase 'Chinese puzzle' must be transferred to Japan as nobody knows the real intentions of the Japanese."

Asked what would China consider reasonable peace terms, Dr. Kung replied, "This question must be answered by the Chinese Government and not by me as I am only one member of the Government."—*Reuter.*

AIR RAID LECTURE

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DANGEROUS

In warm weather, such as we have here for the greater part of the year, these splashes will give off enough vapour to damage unprotected people within a hundred yard radius. It is therefore very dangerous for any unprotected people to enter the affected area, partly on account of the vapour and partly on account of the risk of picking up the liquid on their boots or clothing and so unconsciously carrying the gas on to people outside the area.

The other method of using this weapon is by aerial spray, which gives a very fine shower of rain lasting perhaps not more than two or three seconds. Everything and everybody in the neighbourhood will by this method be spotted with the gas but you will probably not realise it at the time.

The attack may also be carried out from such a great height and distance to windward, that the attacking machine may not be observed. Hence, my advice to you is not to look up when the warning goes. If you have an umbrella with you, spread it.

Mustard is a liquid varying in colour from a dark brown to a pale straw, and it may therefore be possible to see it on the ground.

Some of you smell it the week before last. Its odour has been described as that of mustard, onions, garlic, horse radish and quite a number of other things.

NOT IRRITATING SMELL
It is not an irritating smell and does not cause coughing or choking, and one soon gets accustomed to it and ceases to notice it, as one ceases to notice the odour in a cinema where everyone is smoking. After the first five minutes, the "fog" disappears. It is, however, sufficiently dangerous to make it a necessity that, as soon as you can smell or think that you can smell mustard, you must put on your respirator.

I am afraid I have rather laboured this point already—another triviality it may seem—but there is no loss of "face" attached to putting on a respirator too soon. You will lose more than "face" if you put it on too late.

Splashes of liquid mustard on the bare skin or splashes which may have soaked through the clothing produce no immediate sensation such as irritation or stinging. Redness and irritation will develop in the affected part in two or three hours and get worse until blisters form twelve to twenty-four hours after.

These blisters, of course, vary in size according to the splash. They are not actually painful but they are inconvenient, and there is a great danger, if they are broken, of their turning septic.

WHEN PAIN STARTS

A splash or spray in the eye would not cause any immediate discomfort other than a drop of water would, but pain and irritation will start about three quarters of an hour after, and in three hours the eye will be swollen and closed up. The sight of that eye will be permanently damaged if not destroyed. So once again, don't look up until you have your respirator on.

The effects of the vapour are the same if the exposure is long enough. If you are exposed to an atmosphere of one of vapour to one million of air for one hour, you will get this redness and irritation all over your body, more particularly in the warmer parts such as armpits, and this will in the end progress towards the formation of blisters.

A few minutes' exposure will do no harm, but the clothes must be changed before the gas has had time to "soak" through. This vapour has the same effect on the eyes as the liquid and also causes serious damage to the lungs. In other words, it is also a choking gas.

Another nasty habit of mustard is that in cold weather it may freeze, and so give off no smell. Six weeks later, you may get a warm day and the frozen liquid will melt and give off this vapour.

The antidote to mustard is Bleaching Powder or Chloride of Lime. This must be mixed with water or earth before application. If put on neat, it goes up in flames.

Further details as to the application of this, both to the body and to various materials, will be explained later in the more technical and advanced lectures to those people concerned.

The Black races show most resistance to mustard gas. Yellow races a little bit less, and White races a bit less still. Amongst the White races mustard tries to be a gentleman; in other words it "prefers blondes!" (laughter).

Anyone who knows or suspects that he has been splashed with the liquid must remove his outer clothing without delay, to prevent it soaking through to his skin. If there is any delay, he must remove all his clothing. Any splashes on the skin should be (Continued on Back Page)

Increasing Menace Of Chinese Guerilla Troops

MARTIAL LAW PROCLAIMED AT POOTUNG

Hankow, January 17.
In view of the increasing menace of Chinese guerilla troops martial law was proclaimed at Pootung by the Japanese authorities yesterday, according to a message received here from Shanghai.

The Chinese guerillas are especially active at Fenghsien, Nanwei and Chuensha districts. In an attempt to drive the guerillas out of their hiding the Japanese are burning down large numbers of houses in these districts.

Shipping between Pootung and other points around Shanghai has been totally suspended. No vessel is allowed to anchor off the Pootung bund.

Communications between Nantao and the French Concession are also restricted. Only one of the gates at Nantao remains open to let food dealers and water carriers to pass through.—*Central News.*

CHINESE REACH WUHU CITY
Anking, Jan. 17: Chinese forces have reached the city of Wuhu in their fierce counter-attack since yesterday morning, it is learned here.

In an attempt to impede the Chinese advance two Japanese warships yesterday steamed from Wuhu to Tikang to shell the Chinese positions there.—*Central News.*

M. CHAUTEUPS TO FORM NEW CABINET

Paris, Jan. 17.
It is announced that M. Camille Chauvets will now endeavour to form a new Cabinet.

After M. Leon Blum had informed President Le Brun of the failure of his efforts, the President immediately summoned M. Chauvets and requested him to undertake the task.

On leaving Elysee Palace, M. Chauvets informed journalists that he had accepted the offer and that if he was successful he would lay before Parliament a series of measures destined to ensure industrial peace.

M. Chauvets began his conversations with political personalities this afternoon.—*Transocean News Service.*

CHINA'S CUSTOMS REVENUES

Under Japanese Control?

London, January 17.
Discussing the Chinese debt service, the "Financial News" says that it must be quite clear that the Chinese Government is not in a perfect position to give assurances regarding the debt at present. It seems likely that it will be only a question of time before virtually the whole Customs revenue will come, for practical purposes, under Japanese control.

In theory, no doubt, they may come under the control of the autonomous Chinese authorities but "we know well from Japan's policy in Manchukuo and North China how Japan manages these things. The price of receiving money from Chinese independent authorities is usually the diplomatic recognition of their exact status as Tokyo sees it."

"In due course that may be the price for disbursement of any Customs revenues."—*Reuter.*

DR. SUN FO

The Hague, Jan. 17.
Dr. Sun Fo, the new Chinese Ambassador to Moscow, with some members of his mission has left for Moscow. Another party went to London.—*Reuter.*

CLERGYMAN KILLED England Swept By Gale During Week-end

London, Jan. 17.
Reports of damage caused by the great gale which swept England during the week-end are still being received.

The gale, which was one of the strongest in many years, caused widespread destruction in many parts of the country. Up to the present, it is known that ten persons were killed while damage to shipping was very heavy. One

steamer foundered with the loss of two men while several coastal vessels are reported to be missing.

The Admiralty tanker, War Bahadur, wireless that she was in difficulty in mid-Atlantic but a destroyer which was sent out to her assistance has now got her in tow.

A clergyman at Windermere was killed by a falling roof.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

VIGOROUS DRIVE

Hankow, Jan. 17.
Chinese troops have launched a vigorous drive towards Wuhu on the Yangtze, according to Chinese reports. The Chinese air force is said to be playing a prominent part in the push, bombing Japanese positions in Wuhu, Lukang, westward of Wuhu, Kwangteh and Szean.

Meanwhile, reports conflict concerning the fate of Tsinling, strategic city in south-western Shantung. Military despatches from General Tsao Fu-lin, commander of the Chinese left wing on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway front, and General Sun Tung-hsuan, commander of the Third Route Army, claim that Tsinling was recaptured in the early morning of January 13, but reliable sources at Hsuehowfu and Chengchow state that while the Chinese forces have scored gains in the Tsinling sector, the city itself is still in Japanese hands.—*Reuter.*

SEVERANCE OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

Does Not Entail Declaration Of War

Tokyo, Jan. 17.
Virtual severance of diplomatic relations with the National Government of China did not necessarily entail a declaration of war, said a spokesman of the Foreign Office in reply to questions at today's press conference. To illustrate this point, he recalled the rupture of Anglo-Soviet relations in 1937.

He said that Mr. Kawagoe, the Japanese Ambassador to China, had not yet been instructed to withdraw and that Japan had not explicitly requested the Chinese Embassy in Tokyo to leave, but as the result of the statement issued on Sunday, the "Chinese may feel impelled to leave Japan."

Japan's peace terms, the spokesman added, had not been stated in detail, but were "clearly stated in principle." Chiang Kai-shek had not explicitly rejected them, but his attitude is tantamount to refusal. Negotiations had now been dropped, but might be reopened if the National Government showed any sincerity.

The spokesman said he thought there was no necessity to communicate Japan's conditions to third Powers. Japan's statement, he added, did not mean that Japan recognised the Chinese regime in Peiping.

The spokesman agreed that it was most difficult to interpret the situation according to international law.

He foreshadowed that Japan would at present deal with local regimes.—*Reuter.*

Found guilty of having seriously wounded Lo Kam Yuen, a young hawker, on November 27, 1937, Kwan Tong alias Kwan Po, aged 29, was sentenced to three years' hard labour, when he stood trial before the Police Judge, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

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DESPATCH NOT SENT

British Correspondent "Invited" To Attend Japanese H.Q.

Shanghai, Jan. 17.
Japanese censorship which is now in operation in Shanghai was applied to a British correspondent's despatch this morning.

Mr. H. J. Timperley, correspondent for the "Manchester Guardian" for many years, despatched a telegram last night and was informed by telephone this morning at 10.45 by Japanese censors that his despatch was not sent and that his presence was requested at Japanese Military Headquarters.

Mr. Timperley has refused to comply with the request and is taking up the matter with the British Embassy this afternoon.

Mr. Timperley's despatch contains authenticated accounts of the Japanese army reign of terror in Nanking, also atrocities of Japanese soldiers around Shanghai.

The British Consul-General, Mr. Herbert Phillips, is making representations to the Japanese Consul-General Mr. Okamoto, with regard to the "invitation" extended to Mr. Timperley to go to the Japanese Military Headquarters.

The British Consul-General is also expected to discuss the question of Japanese censorship as it affects Britons.—*Reuter.*

DEFENCE OF CANTON

General Wu Te-chen's Appointment

Canton, Jan. 17.
To facilitate defence against an eventual Japanese invasion, Kwangtung has been divided into a number of "military areas" in accordance with a recent order of the Military Affairs Commission.

General Wu Te-chen, Chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, has been appointed by the Commission concurrently as commander of these areas.

He has also been charged with the supervision of the enlistment of recruits in the province.—*Central News.*

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Canton, Jan. 17.
The Kwangtung Anti-Japanese Self-Defence was formally established this morning after the weekly memorial service at the provincial government building.

General Yu Han-mou is the commandant of this corps with Generals Wu Te-chen and Hsiang Han-ping as second-in-command. There are altogether 17 committee members on this corps.

Many resolutions pertaining to the defence of the province were adopted at the first meeting held after the inauguration.

Bad weather this morning gave some peace to Canton, and no air raid alarm was sounded.—*International News Agency.*



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CHINA STILL READY TO DISCUSS REASONABLE TERMS

Official circles do not attach much importance to the Tokyo statement as the cessation of Japanese relations with the Chinese National Government had long been expected, stated Mr. Hsu Shih Ying, Chinese Ambassador to Tokyo who originally planned to return to China on January 15 as it was believed that Japan would announce her severance of relations early in January.

The Chinese Embassy in Tokyo has already completed arrangements to close down and is awaiting the final recall of Mr. Shigeru Kawagoe, Japanese Ambassador to China, from Shanghai.

It is contended that the Japanese statement justifies the Chinese belief that Japan would not declare war or denounce the Nine-Power Treaty in order to avoid further complications with Britain, the United States and France.

Mr. Hsu stated that China had allowed German mediation to prove in principle that she never wanted war, and emphasised that China is still ready to discuss reasonable terms.—*Reuter.*

SPEED UP OF MUNITIONS IN JAPAN

Tokyo, Jan. 17.
The War Office and Admiralty today invoked the munition industry mobilisation law which provides for that Government control of part of the munitions factories in Japan. A spokesman of the Army and Navy said, "The control of munition factories is designed to speed up the production of munitions to adequately meet military requirements."

Invocation of the law despite the capture of Peiping, Tsinling, Tsinan, Nanking, Hanchow and other cities in China, the spokesman said, demonstrated the Government's firm determination. They expressed the hope that nationalisation and the enhancement of efficiency of the munitions industry would be ensured by co-operation between the Government and people.—*Reuter.*

SPANISH WAR NEWS

Constant Artillery Fire At Teruel

London, Jan. 17.
Teruel is reported to be uninhabitable owing to constant artillery fire from the insurgent forces who hold the heights around the city.

Despite a claim that all the insurgents were driven off from Teruel a report from Saragossa states that a hundred insurgent troops are still holding out.

Five people were killed and 40 injured by insurgent bombing of Valencia yesterday while a bomb fell near a British steamer.

SUSPECTED SPIES
One hundred and fifty suspected spies were arrested in Madrid according to a Government communiqué. The persons arrested are alleged to be members of a Fascist organisation.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

LECTURE ON TONKIN

Monsieur M. J. B. Montargis, Conseiller du Commerce Extérieur de la France, repeated in English at the French Bank Building yesterday evening the lecture on Tonkin which he gave in French at the University on Saturday.

At the University M. Montargis had spoken on general topics concerning Tonkin and Indo-China, its geography, its climate and population, and yesterday he amplified in detail the interesting and exhaustive information he had given, using maps and illustrations. M. Montargis' address was heard by a fair audience and was well received.

SHIPPING SERVICE TO OPEN
Hankow, Jan. 17: In view of the increasing traffic between Hankow and Changsha, the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company has decided to inaugurate a shipping service between the two cities. To ensure safety for the freight and passengers, armed guards will convey the vessels.—*International News Agency.*

£23,000 BIDS DECLINED BY BURNLEY

All Turned Down In One Week

MANCHESTER UNITED PLAYERS IN DEMAND

London, December 23. "We turned away £23,000 in a week!" Thus a Burnley director, when discussing with other club officials and myself, the present state of the transfer market, writes a Home correspondent. There was no reason to suppose that this was even an exaggeration. Other clubs are having a similar experience. Burnley have had very substantial offers recently for four or five of their players. Martindale, Miller, Taylor, Woddruffe and Gastall are all attractive propositions to-day. And Burnley have some canny reserves. But £23,000. Phew! It's a lot o' brass.

The other afternoon I put in a spell in a football manager's private office. I was there for fully an hour and during that time the manager received three 'phone calls, two of them long distance affairs, and made two. All the calls lasted longer than three minutes and when I took myself off I was wondering (a) if this was a typical managerial afternoon and (b) how much money football clubs spend on telephone calls.

I might add that all this 'phoning was concerned with players, but no transfer was speeded up as a result. And when he is speaking business over the 'phone hasn't a manager to be diplomatic!

THE F.A.'S "SECRET" PHONE

The other day it cost a First Division manager the price of a trunk call before he could 'phone up the Football Association from a London telephone kiosk. That sounds funny but you see, the F.A. number is one of the things which is not broadcast. Like Arsenal's it does not appear in the directory. The manager tried to get the number from the operator. Quite rightly she refused. The manager then thought of trying a London club, but as it was the hour of lunch he decided to get on to his own club instead! Having a telephone talk with the Football Association isn't as easy as you might think.

PRESTON PLAYERS FEAR THE "BOOT"

Preston North End players wonder which of them will be the next to get "the boot." Fact. It's an idea of Bill Scott, the genial North End trainer.

Everywhere they go the Deepdale team have with them in the "skip" a pair of outsize goloshes, big enough to fit Carnera. They are fitted with a zip fastener, very handy to pull off and on.

The idea is that, if any player gets a foot injury the big boot is capable of taking any size in swollen feet, plus a fathom of bandages around the injured limb.

The boots originally came from Switzerland.

CHELSEA'S NEED

Signing of some note by Chelsea is on the cards. My guess is that the player will be an inside forward. Chelsea have been very hard hit by injuries in recent weeks. Hence the activity.

George Gibson and Jimmy Argue are practically certain to be off for several weeks yet and the absence of these two makes the situation fairly acute.

BOB KELLY'S FIND

The other Saturday, when Aston Villa were scoring seven goals against Stockport County, Mr. Bob Kelly, the County manager, was watching his reserve team. Result: Walter Lewis, a Welsh lad signed by the County from Lowestoft three weeks previously, went into the Stockport team at inside-right against Bradford.

That shows what the manager thought about this former Welsh schoolboy international who, in less than a month, has stepped from work on a Suffolk farm to Second Division football.

This speedy promotion would interest Norwich City and Bradford, both of whom were anxious to sign the Lowestoft amateur. It would also interest the former Stockport supporter, now working in Lowestoft, whose letter to the County put Mr. Bob Kelly on the track of the player.

LOUIS PAGE IS CONFIDENT

Louis Page, ex-manager of Newport County, ex-player-manager of Yeovil and Peters, and ex-international outside-left of Northampton Town, Burnley and Manchester United, is confident of his ability to make a hit in the managerial racket.

I met Louis a few days ago and what he said to me was, "If a club will give me a contract for two years I will stand or fall by what I do in that time."

Louis is naturally interested in what Manchester United are going to do about their managerial question.

MANCHESTER INQUIRIES FOR MILSON

If Bolton Wanderers officials ever had any doubt about the worth of Jack Milson they must by this time have had it dispelled.

When Jack made his request for a change of quarters, the Wanderers were flattered by a shoal of inquiries in a few days.

I couldn't say how many clubs asked for Jack but I do know that both Manchester City and Manchester United were among them. Both were asked £7000. Burnley might have got the centre-forward a little cheaper before they took Bill Robson from Stoke. Anyway, Milson, is staying over at Burnden so there's an end to that.

NO "SPARES" NOW

No club in England looked as well equipped for half-backs as Manchester United—until a week or two ago. Then United had a dozen middle men and, of course, couldn't find them all a game of a Saturday afternoon.

Things have changed suddenly. Jock Smith was transferred to Gillingham. On top of that came injuries to several others, including Whalley and Gladwin. Of the remainder, two are boys. No wonder the Old Trafford club has been scouring round for a right-half, for whom they were willing to pay in reason.

Many "feellers" were pushed round in advance of the holidays.

STILL AFTER CAREY

They won't let Manchester United alone, especially in regard to Jack Carey, inside-forward. Last week I mentioned that a certain Yorkshire club had come along with an offer of £3000 for the Irish boy. That offer is likely soon to be improved on.

Meanwhile, Grimsby Town have been "pushing out the boat." They, too, are ready to table a fee that would enable the Old Trafford club to show a handsome profit on the boy. United's answer is that, if Carey is so valuable elsewhere he may as well continue to do his stuff for them!

MR. JOBEY STILL FANCIES REDWOOD

Suappy forward play by Napier, Dix and Astley has rubbed that worried look from the face of Manager George Jobey. The Derby County chief, however, is still anxious to do something about his defence.

I know he has been concentrating on this department for some time and the departure of Freddy Jessop to Sheffield United may be but the prelude to an interesting move or two.

I understand, for instance, that Mr. Jobey has not lost any of his interest in young Redwood, the Manchester United back, whom he has been seeking for over a season.

CHESTER CHANGES IN THE NEAR FUTURE

Watch out for a few changes at Chester in the near future. The Third Divisioners have been searching high and low for a strong inside forward and may shortly land their man.

Meanwhile they are showing willingness to part with several players. "Boss" Trevis, the former West Bromwich Albion half-back, is on offer at his own request. Chester have also sent word round that they are prepared to part with T. Alderson, inside-left; G. Carter, inside-right, and P. McCarthy, outside-left.

HIS HERO NOW HIS PAL

Jack Fairbrother, Preston North End's useful young goalkeeper, used to be a hero-worshipper. As a boy leaving school in his native Church Gresley he used to count the hours between matches. His favourite club was Aston Villa; his hero Joe Beresford. He says he used to watch enthralled as little



Miss Booker (C.B.S. "A") clearing while Miss Gonzales (Recrelo), extreme left, rushes up, in the Brown Cup hockey match on Saturday on the C.B.S. ground.

TO-MORROW'S HOCKEY

The following will represent the 1st XI of the Hong Kong Hockey Club against a representative side of the United Hockey League on the Club ground at King's Park to-morrow, January 19, at 4.45 p.m. V. M. Benwell; R. L. Wallace and E. V. Reed; R. A. Bates, W. A. Reed and J. E. Potter; S. Fowler, T. Whitley, G. E. R. Divett, B. I. Bickford and V. Bond.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

The Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Association have made excellent progress in both the Caer Clark Cup and Brown Cup Leagues and as a result it has been decided to hold the annual Seven-A-Side Tournament on January 22, the draw being as follows:—

DRAW FOR THE SEVEN-A-SIDE TOURNAMENT

Recrelo Ladies v. H.K. Ladies. C.B.A. Ladies v. "Y" Ladies. C.B. School v. Seaford Ladies. St. Andrew's receive a bye. Both Caer Clark and Brown Cup teams are included in the one tournament and several good games should be seen.

SCHOOLBOYS LOSE

The Diocesan Boys' School suffered their first defeat this season on Sunday at the hands of the Police.

Thanks to fine innings by F. J. Lay and C. B. R. Sargent, however, the School only fell short of the Police total of 143, by 9 runs.

Police:—143 (C. Pope 44, T. R. Hunter 24, H. Danbrowsky 22, P. H. Loughlin 15, A. E. Carey 14; Sargent 3 for 43, E. D. Fisher 4 for 42). D.B.S.:—134 (Lay 37, Sargent 58; Pope 8 for 50, Danbrowsky 3 for 21).

ADVENTURE VS. ARMY

The following will represent H.M.S. "Adventure" v. the Army in a rugby match at Sookunpoo at 3.45 p.m. to-day (Tuesday):—

Dutty: A.B. Northcott; A.B. Merdman, Sig. Murray and Lt. Smith; Lt. (E.) Walsham and Payr. Lt. Roantree; A.B. Crabbe, S.B.A. Jones, Marine Dumbarton, Ldg. Tel. Crabbe, O.A. Dyer, Sgt. Burston, C.E.R.A. Martin and Marine Mumford.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB

The 36 hole final of the Junior Championship of the Kowloon Golf Club played on Sunday resulted in a victory for W. Bastin over F. A. Hill by 7 and 5.

J. PEARCE WINS AT FANLING

J.L.C. Pearce (12) 2 up, won the Bogey pool competition of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, at the new course, Fanling, played on January 15 and 16. Other scores were: P. A. Cox (14) 1 up and F. G. Pearce (15) 1 down. There were 20 entries.

WEDNESDAY'S PRICE FOR LUKE

Managerial pal of mine is considering the transfer of Charlie Luke, the Sheffield Wednesday and former Huddersfield Town winger. Know the Huddersfield requirement? Just £1750.

The Wednesday, I fancy, paid more than this to Huddersfield Town, and the suggestion is that reasonable figures are being asked for the players the Wednesday do not regard as indispensable.

K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Several more matches in the Kowloon Cricket Club's annual winter tennis tournament were played off during the past week-end.

HANDICAP MIXED DOUBLES

The following are the results:— 2nd Round: G. C. Burnett and Mrs. H. Crabbe (—15/3/8) beat D. Orr and Mrs. Knight (—15) 6-3, 6-4. J. S. Smith and Mrs. Sweeney (—15) beat R. S. Capell and Miss G. A. White (—15) 6-3, 3-6, 6-2. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Fincher (—30) beat A. Crawford and Mrs. Edwards (—15/3/6) 2-6, 6-0, 7-5.

3rd Round:

A. G. M. Phillips and Mrs. Coombs (scr.) beat H. Crabbe and Mrs. G. A. White (scr.) 9-7, 6-4. P. Coombs and Mrs. Kella (scr.) beat B. Monks and Mrs. Old (—3/6) 6-3, 6-2, 6-2.

LADIES' DOUBLES HANDICAP

2nd Round: Mrs. G. C. Burnett and Miss J. Nash (—15/3/6) were given a w.o. by Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Old (scr.).

MEN'S DOUBLES HANDICAP

2nd Round: T. A. Madar and A. E. P. Guest (—30/3/6) beat J. M. Ovens and A. Crawford (—15/3/6) 6-2, 6-4. W. M. Gittins and K. Brock (—3/6) beat D. Orr and R. E. Lee (—3/6) 7-5, 6-2.

PROGRESSIVE TOURNEY

The Progressive Tennis Tournament of the Kowloon Cricket Club arranged for yesterday has been postponed until January 31 in order to complete the Winter Tournament first.

SHEFFIELD SHIELD

Sydney, Jan. 17. Scores in the Sheffield Shield cricket matches are as follows:— New South Wales 295 v. South Australia 295 and 11 for no wickets.

Queensland 171 for five wickets v. Victoria 396 (at Brisbane).—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

AUSTRALIAN RUGGER TOURISTS

Marseilles, Jan. 17. The Australia Rugby League team defeated France by 16 points to 11 in a match played to-day.

Yachting

MRS. L. STANTON IN "GULL" WINS

Second Ladies' Series Match

The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club sailed the second series of the second ladies' race on Sunday over 8.2 miles. The course was: Channel rock mark, (N) mark on line, Kowloon rock mark, Channel rock mark, Club line.

"Gull" (Mrs. L. Stanton) was the first to finish. The following are the full results:—

"A" CLASS

Finished Corr. Pos. Pts. Carpenter 16.11.20 16.11.20 5 8. Mrs. P. R. Richards.

Artemis 16.09.52 16.09.52 2 11. (Miss Whitham).

Eve 16.10.45 16.10.45 4 9. (Mrs. J. Bader).

Gull 16.09.34 16.09.34 1 13. (Mrs. L. Stanton).

True Blue 16.16.53 16.16.53 8 5. (Miss J. L. Smith).

Kittiwake 16.09.52 16.09.52 3 10. (Miss P. M. King).

Jean 16.12.19 16.12.19 6 7. (Mrs. M. Gowland).

Teal 16.15.49 16.15.49 7 6. (Miss V. A. Buckley).

MIXED CLASSES

Diana, D.N.F. (Miss B. Fair).

Dorothea 16.13.17 16.13.17 3 7. (Mrs. L. Drummond).

Widgeon 16.23.05 16.10.06 1 10. (Miss H. Crawhall Wilson).

Sirius 16.27.34 16.27.34 2 8. (Mrs. K. Trenchard Davies).

Zephyr, D.N.F.

DURHAMS WIN AT SHANGHAI

Lively Match In Ice-Cold Weather

Shanghai, Jan. 9. After two full weeks of inactivity, hockey matches in the Shanghai League assumed a prominent position once again when four matches were played yesterday afternoon at the Race Course.

The centre of attraction, naturally, was the encounter between the Durham Light Infantry and the United Club. The soldiers, by scoring twice in the second half, succeeded in defeating the civilians 2-0. As a result, the United team is still occupying the cellar position in the senior league while the Infantrymen remain next to the top.

In spite of the ice-cold weather, the two teams produced a most lively contest. The United players were rather unfortunate not to have scored at least once or twice in the opening period as they had a better share in the game.

P. Kermani was offered three glorious chances but the star forward failed to make proper connections and caused the tide of battle to turn. The Durhams scored their first goal in less than two minutes after the rest period. Then in the middle of the next session, the winners registered a second goal.

BOLAN BROTHERS SHINE

The Bolan brothers won the distinction of scoring the two goals for the army team. Lance-Corporal Bolan, who was shifted from outside left to the centre, tallied the opening shot and Sergeant Bolan contributed the next goal.

As a team, the civilians appeared to play a better game, especially in the first half during which they showed a distinct edge. The halves worked remarkably well. Oliveira, who donned the United uniform for the first time this season, displayed great form as a pivot.

Not only did he hold his opponents at bay, but he took a hand in the offensive by constantly keeping his front line on the move with timely passes.

D.L.L. — Thompson, Morrissey, Whitehead, Taylor, Fairclough, Rookes, Fox-Davis, Sgt. Bolan, L. Cpl. Bolan, Bellamy, and Pearson.

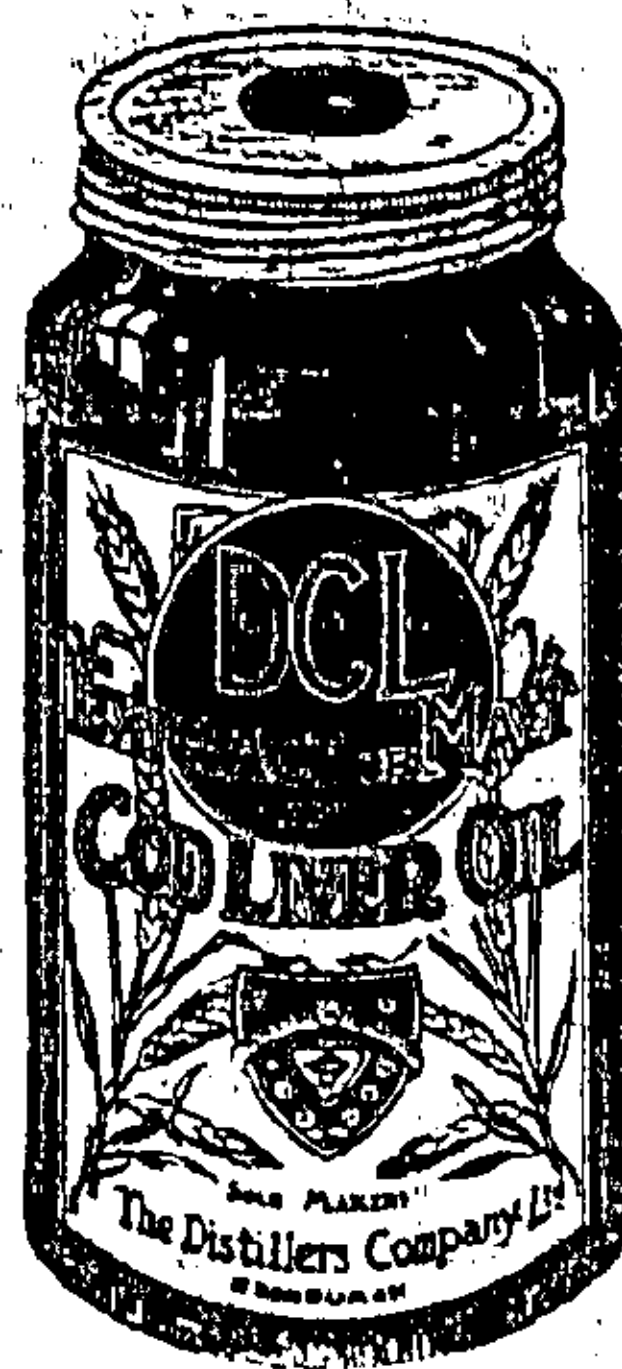
MACAO BEATEN

The Police hockey team which visited Macao on Sunday beat the Macao Hockey Club first eleven for the first time this season when Narwant Singh scored after 15 minutes.

Macao were without the services of P. Angelo, centre-forward, and J. Nolasco, right-half.

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"GOLDEN MILLER"

Playing Better Than Ever Before

London, Dec. 25.

Is Willie ("Golden") Miller playing better than ever before? Burnley people think so. I'm inclined to agree, writes a Home correspondent. The opinion is shared in many another camp. Already folks are saying Everton made a mistake in letting him go. Burnley, at any rate, could sell Willie and make a handsome profit on the deal.

Burnley's interest in Miller, by the way, was no sudden inspiration. It goes back a long way, in fact—to a day in Scotland when Willie helped Partick Thistle to

beat the Rangers. Burnley couldn't, of course, compete in the market as it was then, and Miller signed for Everton.

SNATCHED THEIR CHANCE

Burnley watched events. When they saw their chance, they snatched it.

Two other clubs were on the Everton doorstep when they went into negotiation with the Goodison club. I understand one of these had to make a decision in regard to the fee before midnight. Burnley directors acted swiftly. It took a lot of courage to table the fee required, but their answer went in some hours before midnight.

No wonder Burnley are proud of Miller. They claim he has "made" Martindale and that the other forwards are inspired by Willie's brilliant work.

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SIR L. BRASSEY'S PLEA

London, Jan. 1. Sir Leonard Brassey, Senior Steward of the Jockey Club, speaking at the annual dinner at York of the York Race Committee and Brethren of Ye Ancient Fraternity of York Glimcracks, appealed to racehorse trainers to take as many apprentices as possible.

In a letter to the Editor of The Daily Telegraph and Morning Post, which appeared on Oct. 13, Sir Leonard explained what the Jockey Club is doing to assist apprentices, and stated that it was essential for the good of the turf that there should be a continuous supply of boys apprenticed to trainers.

Sir Abe Bailey, who, with Golden Sovereign, won this year's Glimcrack Stakes, was unable to attend last night's dinner because of ill-health. He sent a letter, which was read by Col. W. L. Kirby. The Hon. Reginald Parker, chairman of the York Race Committee, presided.

Sir Leonard Brassey, who responded to the toast of "The Jockey Club," proposed by Sir John Jarvis, recalled that two or three years ago the shortage of good boy riders was a matter much discussed among racing people. In 1935 the Jockey Club altered the rules relating to apprentice allowances, and he thought it was partly because of this alteration that there now seemed to be a good supply of young jockeys.

FIRST-CLASS BOY RIDERS
"Those of you who follow racing will, I think, agree that during the latter part of the past flat-racing season we have seen a number of first-class boy riders, many of whom may well become first class jockeys."

"But it is always a difficult time for a lad when he loses the apprentice allowance and has to ride on even terms with jockeys. He may have two or three rather critical years before him, and owners and trainers will be well repaid by giving him a helping hand."

There is no other way by which boys can be trained to become jockeys than by the apprentice system, and it is, therefore, of the first importance that trainers who are in a position to do so should have boys apprenticed to them.

"We can congratulate ourselves on a successful flat race season. The number of horses in training grows. Over 1,000 more horses ran during the past season under Jockey Club rules than in 1937."

BREEDING EXPERIMENT
Sir John Jarvis, in a reference to breeding, said:

"We have had two lean years, and it would be a courageous man who would venture to pick the first three in next year's Derby. I have an idea—it may be presumptuous—that our stock might be improved by the infusing of a little foreign blood, and by paying more attention to the maternal side."

Sir Clement Hindley, chairman of the Racecourses Betting Control Board, proposed "success and perpetuity to the Glimcrack Club."

Speaking of the progress of the totalisator, he said that in 1937 it was expected that the total volume of business would reach nearly £8,000,000 compared with £3,250,000 in 1930.

This year, despite increased taxation, the Board would disburse £150,000 in grants as compared

£5000 Offer For Young
ForwardChesterfield's Rating
Of Harry Clifton

London, Jan. 1.

Other clubs, some of them very big clubs are still showing an interest in Harry Clifton, Chesterfield's inside-right, writes a correspondent.

By general consent, Harry is rated the best of the "young" forwards now in the game, and the interest in him expressed by several First Division clubs is perfectly understandable.

FIVE FIGURE FEE

There have been inquiries about his transfer, but Chesterfield seem

as far as ever from considering such a thing.

If it is any encouragement to the other clubs, I will repeat what a Chesterfield official said to me the other day. This was: "If any of these clubs offer us £10,000 for Harry Clifton's transfer we will consider it." Kindly note, you other clubs, that Chesterfield are not committed to anything by this statement. Chesterfield, I believe, have been offered £5000 for the player's transfer but it will take more than that to get things moving. However, there is very little in the affairs of the Derbyshire club to indicate any willingness to transfer a popular player who has played a big part in the team's success this season.

S'HAJ WOMEN'S
LEAGUEAmazons Held By
Sportsgirls

The Shanghai Ladies Hockey League started its activities the other day when one match in each division took place.

At the Race Course, the Sportsgirls succeeded in holding the Amazons, in a senior game, to a tie at 2 all, while at Kwaichow Park, Erin Villa had an easy time against the German B's who were beaten by four clear goals.

The match between the Amazons and the Sportsgirls was extremely close. Showing more strength in the earlier half of the game in spite of playing with ten members, the Amazons were rewarded with two well earned goals as a result of applying constant pressure.

They were in such form that the Sportsgirls were entirely tied up and had to trawl without any retaliation.

TWO QUICK GOALS

However, upon resumption matters took a different course. The Sportsgirls dropped their indifference and came from behind with a rush to notch two goals in succession to deadlock the score before the match was twenty minutes old. The shock of losing the second goal, which tied the score, woke up the Amazons and the latter were seen reasserting themselves. But the lack of finish in front of the opposing goal made their efforts fruitless.

Amazons:—Mrs. Weston, G. Moreton, W. Moreton, M. Goodwin, Mrs. White, W. Ambrose, Mrs. Forestier, N. Kelly, B. Patrick, I. Ginter, and I. Blar.

Sportsgirls:—I. Mottu, T. Hawkings, B. Churton, M. Embry, I. Vincent, R. Worth, E. Little, Mrs. McKeown, D. Bloomfield, and G. Bloomfield.

The superiority of Erin Villa over the second team of the German Hockey Club was unquestionable. The Erins proved much faster and cleverer than their opponents and notched two goals in each period. The losers, however, put up a plucky fight, but the odds were altogether too great and all their efforts, no matter how promising, they were, availed nothing.

with £120,000 last year and £80,000 the year before. Of this sum, £80,000 would be available for the racecourse owners.

Arsenal Tipped Off About
Betts

London, Jan. 1.

The name of young Arthur Betts, Nottingham Forest's outside-right, keeps cropping up in talks I have with the football people. The Forest's recovery from a bad spell seems to have brought the winger into the betting again, writes a correspondent.

Less than 18 months ago Arthur was playing for a Co-operative team near Mansfield. Now he is on the minds of some of the biggest clubs in the country. I hear that recently the Forest were offered £4000 for the player's transfer, but nothing has happened as a result.

Last season another club thought that £1500 was a figure likely to attract the Forest committee members, but that was no temptation. Apparently the Forest are keener about having the player than the money. And maybe rightly, because this lad has size and pluck, as well as ability and, I think, is

MISS HVEGER BEATS
OWN RECORDS

Copenhagen, Jan. 17.

Miss Ragnhild Hveger, holder of the world swimming record for the 300 metres free style, yesterday set up a new mark when she covered the distance in 3 mins. 48.8 secs., her previous best being 3 mins. 50.1 secs.

Miss Hveger, who is only 16 years old, then went on to better her previous best time for the 400 metres free style of 5 mins. 11 secs., by covering the distance in 5 mins. 8.2 secs.

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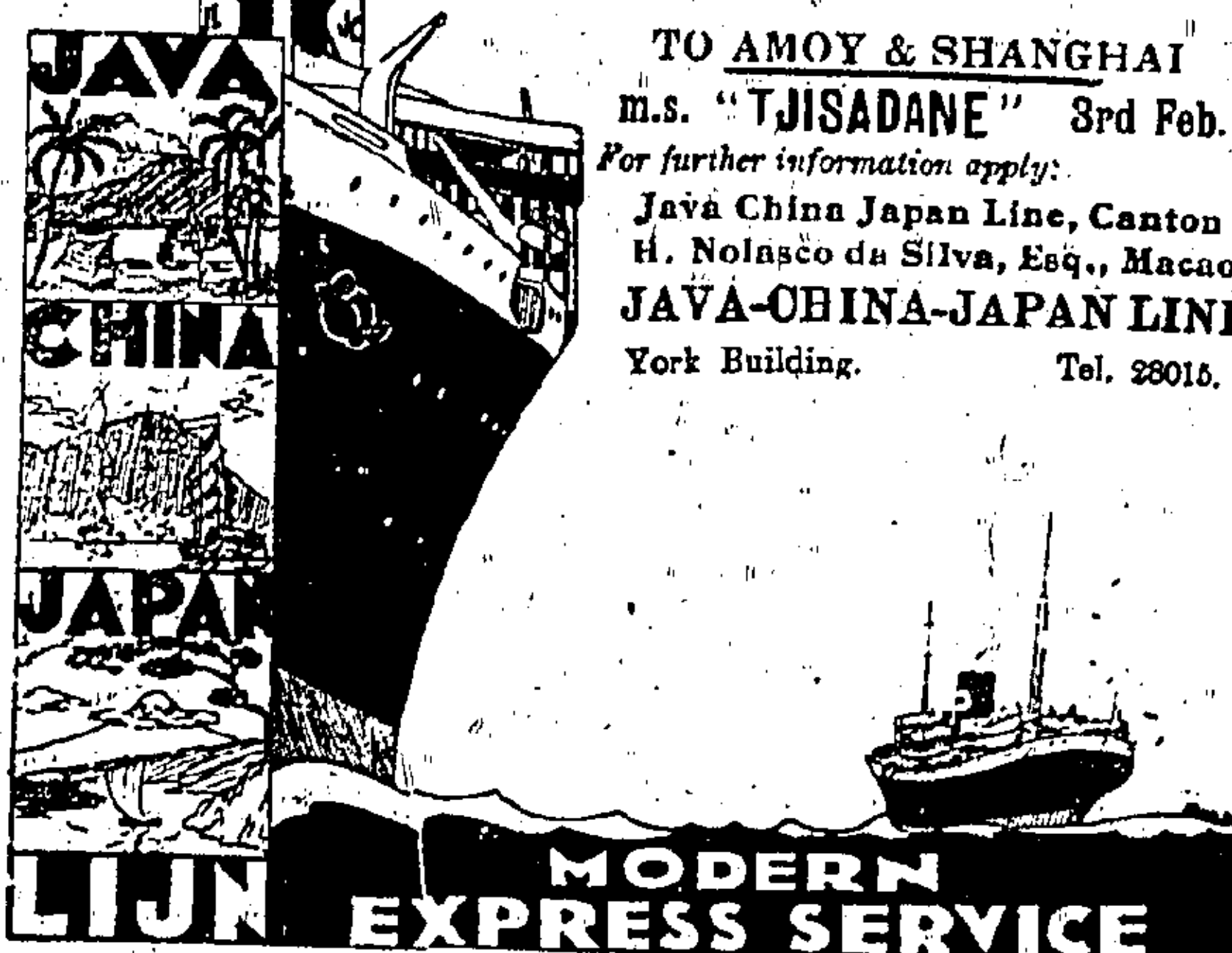
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MINISTERS DISPERSE

Brussels, Jan. 16.

The Chinese Ambassador and Ministers who have been meeting in Amsterdam, where they assembled to greet Mr. Sun Fo, to-day left to return to the capitals to which they are accredited.

The results of the Amsterdam deliberations are still being kept a close secret.

—Reuter.

AIR SERVICE TO BE RESUMED

Auckland, N.Z., Jan. 16.

A Pan-American Airways representative states that the company is definitely proceeding with plans for resumption of the trans-Pacific service from Honolulu to New Zealand, which were suspended following the disaster to the flying-boat, Hong Kong Clipper, (renamed Samboan Clipper).

—Reuter.

SIX IN SUPREME WAR COUNCIL

Chungking, Jan. 17.

Six special members of the Military Affairs Commission, which has been re-organized as the Supreme War Council, have been appointed by the National Government.

They are General Yen Hsi-shan, Director of the Tsiang-pa pacification headquarters; General Feng Yu-hsiang, Vice-President of the original Military Affairs Commission, and recently Commander-in-Chief of the forces on the Peiping-Hankow railway front; General Li Chung-chen, Pacification Commissioner for Kiangsu and Anhwei; General Cheng Chien, Chief of General Staff and Commander-in-Chief on the Peiping-Hankow railway front; Admiral Chen Shao-kuan, recently Minister of the Navy and at present Commander-in-Chief of naval forces; and General Li Chi-shen, former Kwangsi leader and Inspector-General of military training.

—Reuter.

M. BLUM CALLED IN TO FORM MINISTRY

Government To Cover Wide Range

Paris, Jan. 16.

M. Albert Sarraut, Minister of State in the former Chautemps Government, was reported to-day to have been asked by the President of the French Republic, M. Albert Lebrun, to form a Popular Front Cabinet. M. Sarraut is a Radical-Socialist Senator.

Later it was stated that M. Sarraut and Mr. Camille Chautemps, whose Government recently resigned, were only called before the President for a consultation, and that M. Leon Blum, Socialist Vice-President of the Chautemps Cabinet, had been asked to form a Government.

According to very well-informed circles, it is M. Blum's intention to form a Government covering a wide range of political groups, including parties of the Popular Front.

It is believed that he may offer the Ministry of Finance to centre parties Deputy, M. Paul Reynaud. M. Blum has asked the Parliamentary, Socialist Party to give him full confidence in the negotiations he is about to begin, until Monday evening when the party's National Council will meet.

SUPPORT REFUSED

Explaining his failure to form a Cabinet, M. Georges Bonnet, erstwhile Finance Minister, told the press the Socialist group refused not only participation in his Cabinet, but to support it, and that he was therefore unable to form the Government which the Radical Party had encouraged him to form.

Referring to the technical improvement in France's finances, M. Bonnet stated that the ordinary budget was balanced and there was about 7,000,000,000 francs in the treasury. Gold reserves available for national defence was greater than six months ago.

—Reuter.

TO CONSULT SOCIALISTS

Paris, Jan. 16.

M. Leon Blum has accepted the invitation of the French President to endeavour to form a Cabinet. On leaving the Elysee, M. Blum said he was going immediately to consult the Socialist group of the Chamber. He would later visit the President of the Senate and begin conversations in the evening at the Cabinet office, Hotel Matignon.

M. Blum had previously conferred with M. Edouard Herriot, President of the Chamber of Deputies. Prior to M. Blum receiving the invitation to form a Cabinet, he, with M. Sarraut and M. Chautemps, had been called into consultation with the President of the Republic.

—Reuter.

M. BLUM'S IDEAL

Paris, Jan. 16.

M. Leon Blum told pressmen to-day that he would like to form a National Unity Government round the Popular Front, and this would mean co-opting to the Popular Front parties men who had hitherto belonged to the opposition, known for their attachment to democratic principles and who felt it necessary to give the impression of social peace at home and national force abroad.

That was why he was trying to bring about a sort of political Matignon agreement. He was trying to effect national unity in conditions which would not be detrimental to, nor provoke any anxiety with regard to Republican liberty and social progress.

Communist leaders said to M. Blum that their party was willing to participate in his Government.

—Reuter.

HE'S GOING TO BE WAITED ON NOW

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Mr. G. Double has been serving and supervising meals in the House of Commons for 36 years, and now he is going to retire.

When I saw him looking after the Harcourt room and other room on the Terrace level of the House he was smiling and happy, for now, having waited on others for so long, Mr. Double is going to enjoy a pension and being waited on himself, writes a correspondent.

"I came here in 1902," he said, "and things were busier then than they are now. I think we served more meals. No, I don't think that members 'ate' more, but they do eat more informally now than they used to—you know, snacks at the bar, and so on."

"How many meals have I served in 36 years? I've no idea; it must be thousands and thousands."

NO NATIONAL UNION GOVERNMENT

Paris, January 17.

M. Leon Blum has given up the attempt to form a National Union Government, and he will now try to form a Cabinet with members of the Popular Front and with communist support.

M. Blum's decision followed the refusal of M. Paul Reynaud, the Centrist deputy, to take office unless the political composition of the Cabinet extended to, and included, the Right Wing group led by M. Louis Marin.

Full support of the Radical group, who postponed their decision until this morning, was also doubtful.

AN ESSENTIAL CONDITION

Decision to include the Communist Party in the Cabinet is not regarded as facilitating M. Blum's task.

A statement issued by the Communist Party says that Communist leaders indicated to M. Blum that application of the Popular Front programme was an essential condition of their co-operation in formation of a "national unity" government.

M. Blum expects to be able to give President Lebrun a definite answer at 9 o'clock this morning.

—Reuter.

ANOTHER BLUM CABINET?

Paris, Jan. 17.

M. Georges Bonnet has notified President Lebrun that he has abandoned his attempt to form a government. M. Leon Blum was then asked by the President to undertake the task and has notified the President of his willingness to do so.

It is understood that M. Bonnet proposed to the President that M. Blum, who headed the Cabinet that preceded the one that has just resigned, was best suited to the task, and the fact that he has been asked to form a Ministry again came as no surprise to political circles here.

After the failure of M. Bonnet to form a Cabinet it was generally felt that the only way to form one of any duration was to return to the Front Popular formula, and if M. Blum can overcome the existing difficulties between the Socialists and the Radicals, it is felt that he might be able to submit the names of members of the proposed Cabinet to the President almost immediately.

It is not expected that M. Bonnet will be offered the portfolio of the Finance Ministry in the Blum Cabinet, but that M. Vincent Auriol, who held that post in the last Blum Cabinet, will be reappointed.

—Transocean News Service.

U.S. TREASURY AND CHINA'S SILVER

The announcement by the Secretary of the United States Treasury that the arrangement for the purchase of silver from China by the American Government would continue in force for the first six months of 1938 came as something of a relief to the Silver market recently.

For some time a good deal of apprehension had been felt, especially in Bombay, as to the fate of the large amounts of silver recently shipped from Hong Kong to London or New York by the Chinese Government, for it was perceived that in the event of the silver being thrown on the open market a heavy fall in the price would probably be unavoidable.

The indications of a possible revision in the silver policy of the U.S. Government had accentuated such fears. On the assumption that the continuance of the arrangement with China would avert this contingency buyers actively bid for silver, with the result that the price, which has been fixed at 18 9-16d. per oz. for cash and 18 7-16d. for forward delivery, rose sharply, dealings taking place in forward silver up to 16d. American arbitrage purchases were also reported, and quite an active business took place after the fixing.

As with Mexico, the U.S. Treasury is also renewing for January its arrangement for the purchase of a portion of Canada's silver output.

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"How many meals have I served in 36 years? I've no idea; it must be thousands and thousands."

PREVENTING AIR COLLISIONS

Need For A New Device

WIRELESS CONGESTION

The steady increase in wireless traffic between aircraft and ground stations and the expansion of the meteorological service to meet the needs of aircraft are described in the Report on the Progress of Civil Aviation, 1936 (Stationery Office, 5s. net). The report says that the wireless communication with aircraft increased in 1936 by 30 per cent., although the number of aircraft equipped with wireless increased by only 12 per cent.

The view is taken that two-way wireless communication may soon cease to be completely effective as a means of controlling aircraft movements for the purpose of preventing collisions. If the problem is to be solved (says the report) solely by electrical means, the development of a "directly operating anti-collision device" is called for and, at present, this presents large technical difficulties. Some relief should be afforded by transferring a certain amount of the direction-finding work from the ground to the aircraft. A wireless beacon for this purpose is being installed at Croydon and there will be similar beacons at Paris and Amsterdam for triangulation.

MORE WEATHER REPORTS

The meteorological stations serving civil aircraft showed a notable increase in work during 1936. The Croydon station received 30,244 requests for reports and forecasts, an average of 83 a day, and an increase of 72 per cent. over those of 1935. The total at Abbotinch, Glasgow, was 11,271, an increase of 111 per cent.; and at Manchester, 17,588, an increase of 54 per cent.

Particulars of fog and mist were received from more than 1,000 stations in Great Britain, and a report on the subject is being prepared. Reports on ice-accreration were also received from a number of sources with a view to preparing instructions as to forecasting this danger to aircraft. Searchlights with vertical beams were provided at three stations so that the height of low clouds might be accurately measured for the benefit of aircraft flying by night.

Some particulars of the plans for Atlantic services are given. A sum of £20,000 was allotted to cover the cost of the five experimental double crossings made by Imperial Airways. When regular services are undertaken by the joint company in which Great Britain, Canada, and the Irish Free State will hold shares, subsidy to the extent of 20 per cent., but not exceeding £75,000 a year will be found by Canada, 5 per cent., but not exceeding £12,000 a year, by the Irish Free State, and the remainder, less a sum to be provided by Newfoundland, will be found by Great Britain. A sum of £6,000 a year will be paid by Great Britain to the Irish Free State for services in providing a meteorological organization. For experimental flights with land aircraft, a special runway is being prepared at the Collinstown aerodrome, Dublin, until such time as the Kilkenny aerodrome on the north bank of the Shannon is completed.

AIR MAIL INCREASE

The large increase in air mails from Great Britain during 1936 is noted. Letter loads rose to 341 tons against 187 in 1935, and the parcel loads were 86 tons against 79. The opening of the non-subsidized air mail service to South Africa in June last is remarked, and the forthcoming extension of the system to India, Burma, Malaya, and Australia. When the scheme is in full operation there will be nine services a week to Egypt, five to India, three to East Africa, Malaya, and Australia, and two to South Africa.

At the end of last year there were 75 light aeroplanes clubs, of which 48 were participating in the Air Ministry scheme for affording financial assistance to approved clubs. The average total membership of the approved clubs was 11,087, of whom 3,287 held pilot's licences at the end of 1936.

The corresponding figures for 1935 were 9,112 and 2,489 respectively. There were 40 gliding clubs with about 600 members. The policy of the British Gliding Association had resulted in the production of gliders at a cost which enabled them to be sold at lower prices in this country than in any other, and a substantial export business for British motorless aircraft was being built up.

ERRORS OF JUDGMENT

There were 42 accidents during the year to registered aircraft in

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

THE S.S. "NORDMARK"

having arrived from Hamburg and

Ports of call, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's godowns at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 24th Jan., 1938, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 22nd Jan., 1938, at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All claims must reach us before the 17th Feb., 1938, or they will not be recognized.

No Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JEBSEN & CO., Agents.

Hong Kong, 17th Jan., 1938. [5003]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE

FROM MONTREAL, BALTIMORE, PHILADELPHIA, NEW YORK, NEW PORT NEWS AND SAVANNAH.

THE Steamship "CITY OF EASTBOURNE"

having arrived, consignees of cargo by her are informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of Messrs. Holt's Wharf, where delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be carried on, unless notice to the contrary be given prior to arrival of steamer.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after 22nd Jan., 1938, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before 22nd Jan., 1938, otherwise they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined by the steamer's surveyor on any Tuesday or Friday, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. & Noon, within the Free Storage Period of One Week.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by THE BANK LINE (CHINA) LTD., Agents.

Hong Kong, 16th Jan., 1938. [5006]

the United Kingdom causing either fatal or serious injuries in Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

There were also 14 minor accidents. Rather more than 50 per cent. of the accidents were, in the opinion of the Chief Inspector, attributable solely to error of judgment or faulty airmanship, but in one or two cases the possibility of the "private" pilot having been overtaken by illness in the air could not be entirely dismissed. No aircraft accident last year caused

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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having arrived from Hamburg and Ports of call, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's godowns at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

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No Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JEBSEN & CO., Agents.

Hong Kong, 17th Jan., 1938. [5004]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

SILVER LINE

FROM SAN FRANCISCO

THE Motor Vessel "SILVERTEAK"

having arrived from the above Ports on 16th instant, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Friday, 22nd instant, 1938, at 10 a.m.

Days of the vessel's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd instant, 1938, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by FURNBERG (KAR EAST) LTD., Agents.

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Hong Kong 16th Jan., 1938. [5005]

serious injury to a third party—a person on the ground.

The number of pilots "A" licences issued last year was 4,507, or 1,079 more than in 1935. This increase included 881 licences issued to pupil pilots undergoing training for commissions in the R.A.F. The number of pilots "B" (public transport) licences issued in 1936 was 738, an increase of 163 on the previous year. Seventeen per cent. of those holding these licences also hold "A" licences.



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Batavia, Java	March 21	March 22
Bali, N.E.I.	March 24	March 25
Sydney, Aust.	April 2	April 4
Melbourne, NZ	April 6	April 6
Wellington, NZ	April 10	April 10
Auckland	April 12	April 15
Suva, Fiji, Is.	April 18	April 18
Honolulu, T.H.	April 24	April 25
San Francisco	April 30	May 1
Los Angeles	May 2	May 3
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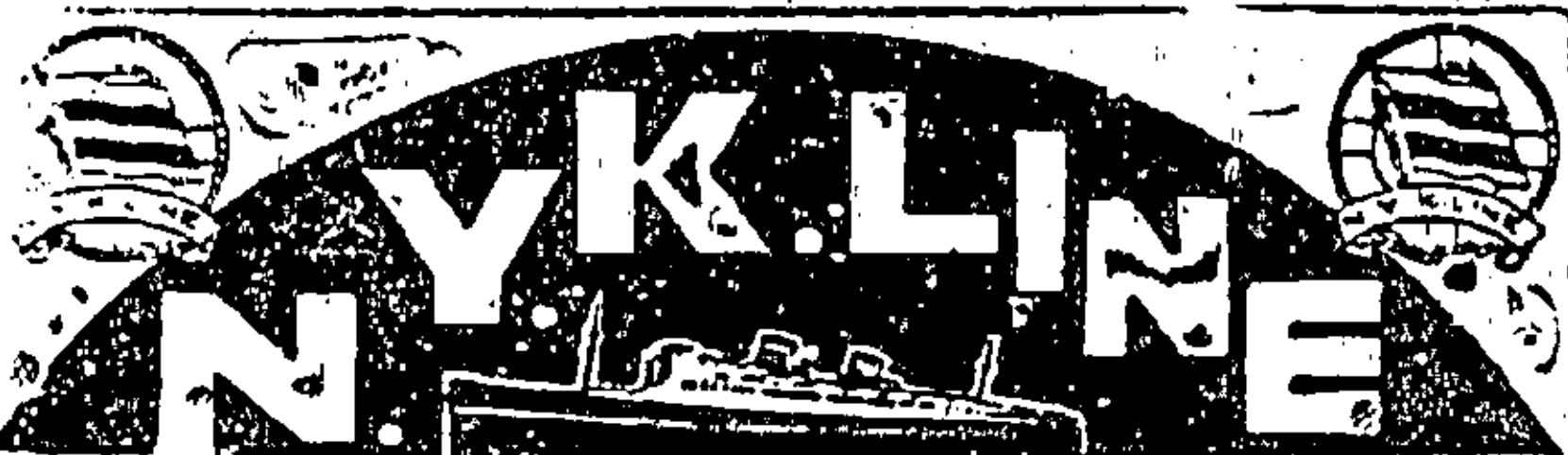
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HIKAWA MARU ... 5th Feb.
HIYE MARU ... 21st Feb.

NEW YORK via Panama.

NARUTO MARU ... 5th Feb.
NAGARA MARU ... 2nd Mar.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Hilo, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

ATAGO MARU ... 16th Feb.
LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, R'DAM.

BAKONE MARU ... 29th Jan.
FUSHIMI MARU ... 12th Feb.
HAKOZAKI MARU ... 26th Feb.
TERUKUNI MARU ... 25th Mar.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus and Marseilles.

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KITANO MARU ... 22nd Jan.
KAMO MARU ... 26th Feb.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

TOYOOKA MARU ... 28th Jan.
TANGO MARU ... 10th Feb.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

NAGATO MARU ... 4th Feb.

Kobe and YOKOHAMA (Omitting Shanghai)

KAMO MARU ... 21st Jan.
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SHIPPING DIRECTORY

Java (East Asiatic & Co.), Danish steamship, Capt. Skjoldum, 5,535 tons, arrived on November 13 from Kobe. Mooring at buoy No. 44.

Kanai (Williamson & Co.), British str., Capt. T. B. Robertson, 1,240 tons, arrived January 15 from Campha, coal. Lying at Kowloon Bay.

Kalgan (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Captain D. D. Richards, 1,556 tons, arrived on Jan. 14 from Bangkok. Mooring at buoy No. 115.

Kanchow (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. W. G. Awcock, 1,222 tons, arrived January 15 from Swatow. Mooring at buoy No. 120.

Kantucky (Thoresen & Co.), American str., Capt. F. Evans, 3,392 tons, arrived Jan. 10 from Tacoma, Wash. Lying at Kowloon Bay.

Kashima Maru (N.Y.K.), Japanese str., Captain K. Fukuda, 6,148 tons, arrived Dec. 30 from Moji, general cargo. Mooring at buoy No. 47.

Kidderpore (P. & O. Line), British str., Captain J. Sparkes, 3,293 tons, arrived Jan. 17 from Moji, gen. cargo. Cleared on the same day for Singapore.

Kitano Maru (N.Y.K.), Japanese str., Capt. K. Fukuda, 4,926 tons, arrived Dec. 15 from Manila, general cargo. Mooring at buoy No. 115.

Lochow (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Captain E. Johnson, 1,221 tons, arrived Dec. 31 from Hongkong, coal. Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Malayan Prince (Furness (Far East) Ltd.), British str., Capt. J. Smith, 3,036 tons, arrived January 10 from Cebu. Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Moeroot (M.B.K.), British steamer, Captain H. Richardson, 4,038 tons, arrived January 10 from Hainan Straits. Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Nanchang (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Captain J. Taylor, 1,480 tons, arrived Jan. 17 from Tientsin via S'low. Mooring at buoy No. 11.

Nanning (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. B. W. Richards, 1,480 tons, arrived on January 15 from Campha. Mooring at buoy No. 115.

Nordmark (Jensen & Co.), German str., Capt. M. W. L. 4,142 tons, arrived Jan. 17 from Hamburg via Manila. Berthing at Kowloon Wharf.

Panama (East Asiatic & Co.), Danish str., Captain Frederiksen, 4,257 tons, arrived on January 17 from Singapore. Cleared on the same day for Dairen.

Paula (A.P.C.), Dutch steamer, Captain A. J. Moorman, 1,319 tons, arrived on November 18 from Amoy. Lying at Lai Chi Kok.

Potsdam (Mitsui & Co.), German str., Captain C. Prehn, 10,115 tons, is expected to arrive on January 18 at 6 a.m. She will berth alongside Kowloon Wharf and will leave here for Europe via Manila, Singapore and ports on the same day at 10 p.m.

Pradux (Jensen & Co.), Norwegian steamer, Capt. E. Winstad, 743 tons, arrived on November 14 from Macao. Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Promiss (Geo. Grimsby), Norwegian steamer, Captain Hotvedt, 727 tons, sailed for Samarinda on Jan. 10.

Pronto (Mitsui & Co.), Norwegian steamer, Capt. B. J. Molle, 1,283 tons, arrived Jan. 12 from Campha, coal. Lying at Yau-mat.

Queen Victoria (Doddwell & Co.), British str., Captain J. W. Ludlow, 2,993 tons, arrived Jan. 10 from San Pedro, cargo—fuel oil, etc. Lying at Junk Bay.

Rhexnor (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Captain E. Beer, 5,044 tons, arrived here January 17 from Manila. Berthing at Holt's Wharf.

Ryuen Maru (N.Y.K.), Japanese str., Captain U. Suzuki, 4,051 tons, arrived on December 26 from Sakito. Mooring at buoy No. A3.

Sandvik (J.M. & Co.), British str., Captain P. Hesch, 1,775 tons, arrived December 17 from Singapore. Mooring at buoy No. 122.

Seistan (Jensen & Co.), British str., Captain W. R. Patey, 1,571 tons, arrived Hong Kong January 16 from Poonchow, Amoy and Swatow, g. cargo. Berthing at Douglas Wharf.

Shun Chih (W. P. S.), British steamer, Captain W. Lee, 1,173 tons, arrived here Dec. 15 from Swatow. Mooring at buoy No. 11.

Silksworth (D.K.K.), British steamer, Captain J. Jackson, 2,931 tons, arrived January 14 from Keelung, cargo—coal. Lying at Quarry Bay.

Silvertank (Furness (Far East) Ltd.), British steamer, Captain T. S. Morgan, 3,693 tons, arrived on January 15 from New York via Shanghai, general cargo. Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Skipsaa (Gibb, Livingston & Co.), British steamer, Captain L. Whitehead, 3,031 tons, arrived here December 24 from Los Angeles, cargo—fuel oil, etc. Lying at Junk Bay.

Sui Sang (J.M. & Co.), British str., Captain Thomas Hughes, 2,209 tons, arrived Jan. 14 from Milke, gen. cargo. Cleared January 17 for Kobe.

Szechuen (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. J. Atkins, 1,564 tons, arrived here January 5 from Swatow. Mooring at buoy No. 11.

Tai Poo Sek (Tai Fung & Co.), French str., Capt. J. Bonnamour, 1,219 tons, arrived Jan. 15 from K. C. Wan. Mooring at buoy No. 11.

Talamba (M.M. & Co.), British str., Captain D. R. C. Sinclair, 3,844 tons, Lying at Taike Dock.

Tathylbus (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. Stewart, 4,492 tons, arrived Jan. 7 from Milke, gen. cargo. Mooring at buoy No. 47.

Tellus (Jensen & Co.), British steamer, Captain Robinson, 6,153 tons, left Singapore on Jan. 13, and is due here on Jan. 19.

Ting Sang (J.M. & Co.), British str., Captain R. E. Smith, 1,222 tons, arrived on January 17 from Canton. Mooring at buoy No. 11.

Tripitz (Jensen & Co.), German str., Captain Nothing, 4,974 tons, arrived January 16 from Singapore. Berthing at Kowloon Wharf.

Titan (Thoresen & Co.), Norwegian str., Captain S. R. Nielsen, 4,081 tons, arrived on January 4 from Shanghai. Mooring at buoy No. 44.

Tijonard (J.C.J. Line), Dutch str., Captain W. T. H. Burger, 5,019 tons, arrived on January 15 from Muntok. Mooring at buoy No. 11.

Trave (Mitsui & Co.), German steamer, is due here on Jan. 18, and will probably sail for Europe via ports on January 19.

Unita (Doddwell & Co.), Norwegian str., Captain H. Kramme, 2,345 tons, Lying at Lai Chi Kok.

Van Heutz (J.C.J. Line), Dutch str., Captain G. A. Beruts, 2,749 tons, Cleared January 17 for Amoy.

Vardaa (A.P.C.), Norwegian steamer, Captain F. Larsen, 1,869 tons, Lying at North Point.

Wing Wah (Tai Fung & Co.), Portuguese str., Capt. J. Teixeira, 651 tons, arrived Jan. 12 from Hoihow, g. cargo. Berthing at Saikong Wharf.

Yusho Maru (M.B.K.), Japanese str., Captain B. Hasegawa, 1,509 tons, arrived on December 24 from Hainan. Lying at Saiwan Bay.

Ajax (Butterfield & Swire), British steamer, is expected to arrive here from Singapore on Jan. 18 at 6 p.m.

Ashmun (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. Miller, 1,869 tons, arrived on January 16 from Singapore. Mooring at buoy No. 11.

Antiochus (Butterfield & Swire), British steamer, is expected to arrive here from Kobe on Jan. 20, 1938, at daylight.

Princess (Standard Oil & Co.), British str., Captain B. McG. Spencer, 5,143 tons, arrived Dec. 26 from Swatow. Berthing at Standard Oil Wharf.

Blackheath (Thoresen & Co.), British steamer, Captain Reid, 2,702 tons, arrived on September 9 from Portland. Lying at North Point.

Cape St. Francis (M.B.K.), British str., Capt. T. H. Gregory, 2,170 tons, arrived January 15 from Milke, coal. Mooring at buoy No. B12.

Carthage (P. & O. S.N. Co.), British str., Captain D. M. Cole, 2,140 tons, arrived Jan. 19 at about 4 p.m. She will sail for Shanghai and Japan at 5 p.m. on Jan. 20 (Thursday).

Chak Sang (J.M. & Co.), British str., Captain L. McKee, 1,470 tons, arrived on December 23 from Canton. Mooring at buoy No. 11.

Changon (Peters & Co.), British str., Captain L. N. Beer, 2,235 tons, arrived on January 17 from Shanghai. Lying at Yau-mat.

City of Eastbourne (Bank Line), British str., Captain H. B. Provan, 3,509 tons, arrived January 16 from Cebu. Lying at Lai Chi Kok.

Claus Rickmers (Jensen & Co.), German str., Captain Frohn, 3,170 tons, arrived on January 11 from Hamburg. Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Comte Blancamano (Lloyd Triestino), Italian str., Capt. Ferrara, 3,682 tons, arrived on January 16 from Shanghai. Cleared January 17 for Singapore.

Diomed (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Captain H. D. Blamey, 6,354 tons, arrived December 14 from Singapore. Berthing at Holt's Wharf.

Elax (A.P.C.), British steamer, Capt. C. W. J. 4,277 tons, arrived on Jan. 15 from Tanakan, cargo—fuel oil. Lying at North Point.

Emmy (J.M. & Co.), Greek str., Captain J. Michailis, 2,474 tons, Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Empress of Asia (C.P.S.), British steamer, Capt. G. Gould, 8,883 tons, left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on January 8 (Saturday) at a.m. She is due at Hong Kong (berths alongside Kowloon Wharf) on January 27 (Thursday), and due to leave for Kowloon Dock on completion of discharge of cargo for annual overhaul.

Empress of Canada (C.P.S.), British str., Capt. W. T. Kinley, 12,311 tons, arrived at Vancouver on Jan. 12 at 10 p.m. and leaves Vancouver on Jan. 22 at 11 a.m. She is due at Hong Kong on Feb. 11 (Friday) at a.m. and leaves for Manila on the same day in the evening.

Empress of Japan (C.P.S.), British str., Captain L. Douglas, 15,725 tons, is due here from Manila at 7.45 a.m. on Jan. 19 (Wednesday) and will berth at Kowloon Wharf. She will leave for Kowloon Dock for annual overhaul at 10 a.m. on the same day.

Empress of Russia (C.P.S.), British str., Capt. T. P. Patrick, 8,738 tons, arrived December 29 from Vancouver, via Yokohama, Kobe and Nagasaki. Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Bug Lee (Yeo Tai Hong), Chinese steamer, Captain T. Mare, 835 tons, Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Yue Tai Hong, Chinese str., Captain Y. Kobayashi, 1,350 tons, arrived January 17 from Los Angeles. Lying at Junk Bay.

Frederic (Thoresen & Co.), British str., Captain J. B. T. Boits, 3,004 tons, arrived Jan. 6 from New Orleans. Lying at Junk Bay.

Gertrude Munk (Jensen's), Danish str., Captain A. Jørgensen, 3,155 tons, Lying at Taike Dock.

Gustaf Diederichsen (Jensen & Co.), Danish str., Capt. R. Nielsen, 1,353 tons, arrived January 17 from Shanghai. Mooring at buoy No. 11.

Hai Ching (Douglas & Co.), British str., Capt. O. H. Farrer, 1,322 tons, arrived on January 13 from Swatow. Cleared January 17 for Canton.

Hai Hing (Thoresen & Co.), Norwegian str., Capt. E. R. Hannevig, 1,445 tons, arrived January 16 from Hoihow. Lying at West Point.

Hai Shing (Doddwell & Co.), Chinese steamer, Capt. B. Beck, 2,074 tons, Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Hai Yee (Doddwell & Co.), Chinese str., Captain V. Anderson, 1,988 tons, Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Halvden (Kwang Sang Loong), Norwegian str., Capt. Pedersen, 761 tons, arrived on January 16 from Samarinda. Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Helios (Thoresen & Co.), Norwegian str., Captain A. Meklum, 1,113 tons, arrived Hong Kong on January 16 from Bangkok, via Swatow, gen. cargo. Cleared January 17 for Canton.

Hird (Thoresen & Co.), Norwegian str., Captain Fredheim, 3,058 tons, arrived January 14 from Longview Ore. Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Hoihow (Butterfield & Swire), British steamer, Captain Thomas, 1,929 tons, arrived on January 15 from Canton. Cleared January 17 for Swatow.

Hong Sang (Ho Thong & Co.), British str., Captain D. M. Cole, 2,140 tons, arrived Jan. 16 from Singapore. Cleared January 16 for Amoy.

Unlawful Boarding

Four Chinese were fined \$10 each when they appeared before Cmdr. G. F. Hole, Harbour Master, in the Marine Court yesterday on a charge of unlawful boarding.

Sergeant Wheeler said that the men were found on Saturday, hiding on the deck of the Sirdhana trying to get a free passage to Singapore.

Two coolies found on board the Conte Blancamano while the vessel was lying at the Kowloon Wharf were fined \$20 each or, in default, two weeks hard labour.

Sergeant Medley prosecuted.

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S.S. "CITY OF EVANSVILLE" ... Havre, London, R'dam & Hamburg ... 12th March.

S.S. "CITY OF PITTSBURG" ... Havre, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg ... 15th April.

AGENTS FOR

MAURITIUS & SOUTH AFRICA ... 28th Feb.

... from Calcutta 4th Feb.; ... from Colombo 11th Feb.

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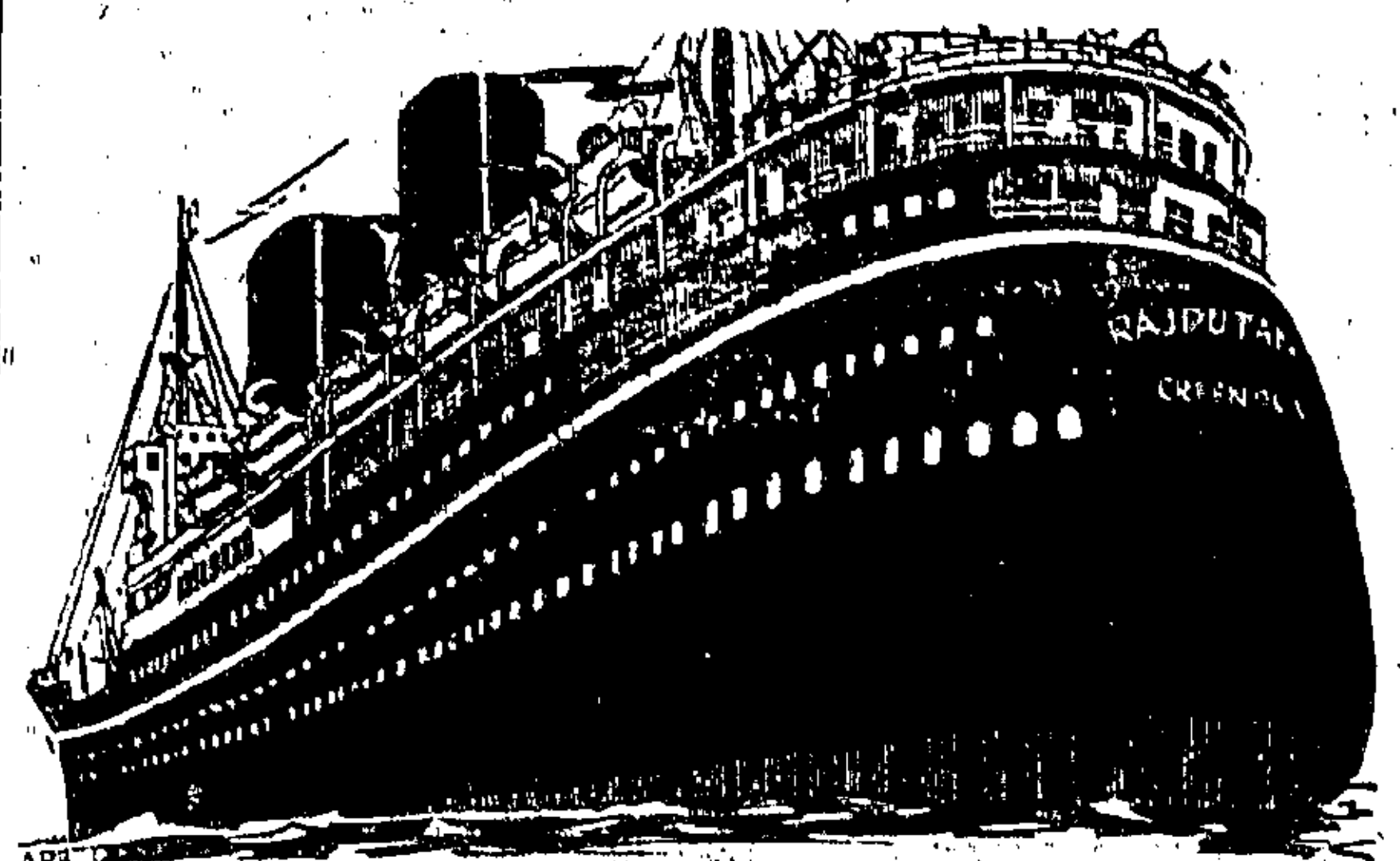
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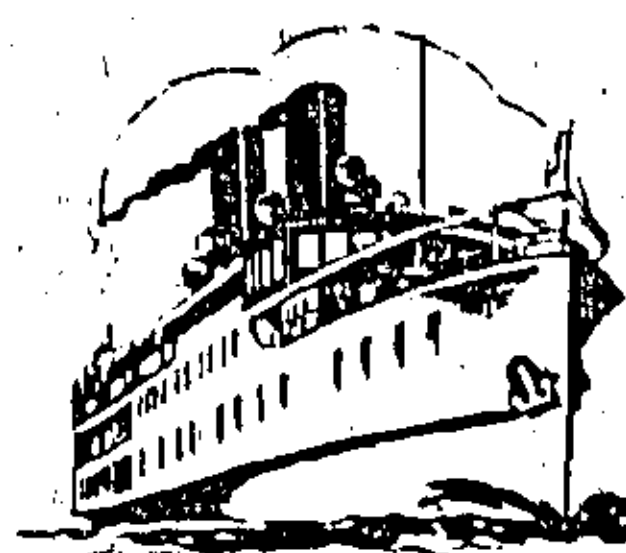
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AIR RAID LECTURE

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treated by whichever of the following methods is the most convenient in the circumstances.

(1) Rub in a protective ointment, made of bleach and vaseline, as soon as possible. Leave it on for two or three minutes and then wipe it off.

(2) Rub in a paste of bleach and water. Leave it on for not more than five minutes and then wash it off.

(3) Scrub with soap and warm water, using a stiff nail brush, and continuing until the skin turns pink.

In practice a man who has been splashed or sprayed should get off his clothes and scrub over the parts of his body which were exposed, that is, hands, face and neck, otherwise it is difficult to ensure that all small splashes have been dealt with.

TIME IMPORTANT

The sooner one of these treatments is applied, the less chance there is of blisters developing. Time is of great importance. If there is a quantity of liquid mustard on the skin it is best, if possible, to wash it off with Paraffin, Methylated Spirits or Petrol, before applying the bleach or scrubbing treatment. Be careful not to spread the mustard over clean parts of the skin and to destroy the swabs afterwards, as they will be dangerous to handle.

Rapidity of action is even more important in the case of liquid splashes in the eye. Anyone realising or suspecting that he has a splash of liquid in the eye should go as quickly as possible to the nearest first aid station for proper medical treatment. If he cannot do this and there is a supply of running water handy he should cover the second eye and wash out the splashed one with a stream of water for at least 10 minutes. In any case he should seek medical attention as soon as possible. Bleach must not be used on the eyes.

REMOVAL OF CLOTHING

It is just as important that men who know they have been exposed to mustard vapour, through having noticed a strong smell of it, should remove their clothing, because this clothing will have absorbed enough vapour to penetrate and blister their skin if they keep it on for long, even if they have moved out of the gassed area. The treatment for vapour contamination is the same as for splashes, and probably the easiest form will be a thorough scrub all over in a decontamination station.

To sum up the effects of Mustard gas:—
1. You soon get used to the smell.
2. You do not realise you have been splashed with it for two to three hours.
3. Also if you get any in your eye it will not affect you for at least half an hour.
4. Bleaching powder and other materials are required to remove it.

There is another type of Blister Gas called Lewisite. It is practically colourless and has a strong, unmistakable smell of geraniums which quickly becomes intolerable owing to its irritating effect on the nose. The minute you get splashed, you feel a stinging sensation and its effects on the eyes are immediate and painful.

It is easily removed by water, so that as it is so self-advertising and does not require any special material as an antidote, it is obviously a less efficient gas weapon than mustard.

It has one point in its favour, however, and that is that owing to the fact that arsenic is one of its main constituents, the ensuing blisters must be pricked and drained as soon as they form, otherwise the arsenic will be absorbed in the blood stream and death will occur of arsenic poisoning.

People who have to go out and render aid in areas contaminated by these persistent gases must be protected against personal contact with the liquid and also against the vapour soaking into their clothing. They are therefore dressed up in what is known as protective clothing. This consists of rubber gum boots with oilskin trousers over them tied at the ankles, oilskin coat and gloves tied above the wrist, respirator and "sou-wester." All possible ventilation or means of access to vapour is closed up.

In a comparatively cold climate one cannot work in this rig for more than perhaps half an hour, but in a tropical climate I think you will have had all you want in about fifteen minutes.

Two of my instructors will now appear in this protective clothing.

CONDITIONS IN CHEFOO BACK TO NORMAL

British Sailors On Guard Outside H.K. Bank Building

Chefoo, Jan. 17.
Although there is still a certain amount of tension, conditions in Chefoo are slowly returning to normal following the reign of terror on Saturday when discontented members of the Police and the Peace Preservation Corps got out of hand and looted Chinese shops and banks. The foreign community which include about 200 Britons and some 80 Americans were able to sleep peacefully last night as the result of action by the British naval authorities who landed a detachment of blue-jackets from the British sloop Lowestoft.

While a squad maintained guard outside the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank building the remainder of the detachment stood by at the Chefoo Club. There were no disturbances of any kind during the night and the blue-jackets returned to their ship early this morning. At 10.30 last night the American cruiser Marblehead arrived from Tsingtao. She was ordered to Chefoo by Admiral H. E. Yarnell following receipt of a report that disorders had broken out in the city.

Meanwhile all Chinese banks and the majority of Chinese shops remain closed as a precautionary measure.

The reopening of the Japanese Consulate here is expected shortly as the Japanese Consul who evacuated some months ago is said to be returning. No foreign property was touched during the disorders on Saturday.

The rebels have not yet returned to duty but are expected to do so shortly. Meanwhile Chinese authorities with the support of loyal members of the two forces seem to have the situation well in hand. It is reported that they do not intend to punish the rebels for fear of precipitating renewed disorders. Further improvement in the situation, however, all Chinese banks and the majority of the Chinese shops have decided to remain closed.

An investigation party from the Marblehead came ashore this morning but returned to the ship shortly afterwards.

PANAY FILM SCREENING TO-DAY

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special preview of the film was given at the Hong Kong Censor Office yesterday evening. Lasting for about half an hour, this remarkable picture shows the flight almost half-way round the world with the film, grim scenes of the attack on Nanking, the Panay rescuing American refugees, the actual sinking of the ship and the survivors' trek to safety with the wounded.

The film includes several shots of Signor Luigi Barzini, special representative of the Corriere della Sera, the well-known Italian newspaper, who was on board the Panay when she was attacked and who is at present in Hong Kong.

Following the sinking of the Panay, Alley had to hide both his camera and films from the hands of wandering Japanese patrols. He buried them in the mud and weeds along the shore of the Yangtze and a few days later when he and the other survivors had been rescued, he was successful in relocating his cache.

The black suit is the Service one, and the other a new form of tropical suit which has just been sent out from England to your Air Raid Precaution Committee.

They will give you a demonstration of undressing a man who has been contaminated, and you will notice that this routine is designed to prevent the wearer touching anything except his underwear. This contaminated clothing is then put into appropriately covered bins and taken away to be decontaminated by boiling and other processes.

In the course of the demonstration, the speaker pointed out in detail the proper method of undressing, after which the lecture concluded and the lecturer was accorded hearty applause.

AMBULANCE BALL

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If only for the services rendered to the Colony by members of the Association and Brigade.

It may be of interest to learn that at the present time there are nearly 1000 persons attending either First Aid, Home Nursing, or Air Raid Precautions Classes, the lecturers being St. John Divisional Surgeons and Staff members who give their services free.

Last week St. John members vaccinated several thousands of men, women, and children in the Shaikwan, Central and Western districts. Schools are also being visited daily for this purpose in order to minimise the danger of small-pox.

The St. John nurses attend nightly from 7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. at the Women and Children's Street Sleepers' Shelter for the purpose of assisting in case of sickness or necessary dressings.

WAR SERVICES

A volunteer contingent of St. John members went to Nanking to assist in the nursing of wounded soldiers. Unsolicited testimonials from doctors speak of the magnificent spirit of service shown by the members of St. John Brigade who volunteered.

FINE RECORD

The following statistics for 1937 are enlightening and show an unparalleled record of service.

New Territories Clinics—11933 cases treated including 1289 maternity cases.

Hong Kong including New Territories—182188 persons vaccinated; 11467 persons were inoculated against Cholera.

St. John Ambulance on loan to Government carried—3,080 cases, travelled 29,373 miles.

Haw Par Ambulance carried—609 cases, travelled 5,096 miles.

Over 200 cases treated during the Coronation Processions by Brigade Members.

Sixty-nine St. John men and women passed the Air Raid Precautions Course Grade II, thus enabling them to instruct the civilian population and so mitigate the fear of gas warfare.

A total of 1228 persons passed in First Aid or Home Nursing. One St. John man at the request of European onlookers has been recommended to Chapter General for saving a person from drowning at risk to himself, and afterwards successfully performing artificial respiration.

LACK OF EQUIPMENT

The members are ill-equipped. Hundreds are waiting to enrol but there is no uniform, and perhaps more tragic still is the fact that there are many poor little tuberculous mites needing treatment—sunshine and sea breezes at the Cheung Chau Hospital, but lack of money prohibits the hospital from taking in all these little ones. Tickets, at \$5 each, may be obtained at the Hotel or from members of the Brigade.

WEATHER REPORT

HONG KONG ROYAL OBSERVATORY
10 a.m., Jan. 17.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.16 ins.

Temperature, 61 F.
Humidity, 87 per cent.
Wind Direction, East.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.
Temperature; maximum yesterday, 65 F.

Temperature; minimum last night, 61 F.

Rainfall for 24 hours, ending 10th to-day, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1, 0.23 ins.

Against an average of 0.41 ins. Sunset to-night, 6.02 p.m.

Sunrise to-morrow, 7.08 a.m.

4 p.m., Jan. 17.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.04.

Temperature, 63. Humidity, 79.

Wind Direction, East. Wind Force (Beaufort), 5. Maximum temperature, 63. Minimum temperature, 61.

Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From January 18 to 24, 1938

Day	Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Time	Height	Time	Height
Tues.	18	11.38	4.8	04.58	0.3
		23.40	7.8	18.03	0.3
Wed.	19	12.11	5.0	05.33	0.7
		23.35	7.2	18.50	0.8
Thur.	20			06.04	1.2
		12.51	5.2	17.40	0.8
Fri.	21	02.19	6.4	08.40	1.7
		12.50	5.2	18.33	3.2
Sat.	22	01.05	5.8	07.11	2.2
		14.10	5.3	19.45	3.4
Sun.	23	01.58	4.8	07.45	2.7
		15.00	5.5	21.20	3.4
Mon.	24	02.30	4.1	08.20	3.0
		16.52	5.8	22.28	3.2

FOREIGN MAILS

Ordinary air mail letters for Imperial Airways Direct Service to Europe etc., will, until further notice, be closed at Kowloon Post Office and General Post Office 9.00 a.m. on Sundays. Letters for this Service may be posted in the ordinary posting boxes at Kowloon Post Office and General Post Office. They should be clearly marked "By Air Mail" and bear sufficient postage. Insufficiently prepaid letters may be taxed with double the deficiency or forwarded by Steamer Service, at the discretion of the Post Office.

Air Mail Service to Shanghai is temporarily suspended.

Letters and Postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

FROM	PER	DATE
CALCUTTA AND STRAITS ... Straits, Malaya & London (Parcels) London date, 8th December 1937 Air Mail by "Imperial Airways" Direct Service—London date, 8th January	Hongkong ... Aja ... Imperial Airways Plane	18th Jan. 18th Jan. 18th Jan.
JAPAN AND SHANGHAI ... SHANGHAI AND SWATOW ... HAIKOW, PAKHOI and HOIHOW ... Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 23rd Dec and London (Parcels)—London date, 16th December, 1937	Potsdam ... Soochow ... Sinking ... Jartage ...	18th Jan. 19th Jan. 19th Jan. 19th Jan.
ALCUTTA and STRAITS ... MALAYA ... Straits ... SHANGHAI ... SHANGHAI AND SWATOW ... Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways" Direct Service—San Francisco date, 12th January	Tilawa ... Emp. of Japan ... Teucer ... Glenbeg ... Pan-American Airways Plane	19th Jan. 19th Jan. 19th Jan. 19th Jan.
ADRIATICA AND MANILA ... Straits ... RAHAIL ... JAPAN ... AMOT and SWATOW ... SAIGON ... JAPAN AND SHANGHAI ... JAPAN ... HAIKOW ... JAPAN ... JAPAN ... U.S.A., HONOLULU and JAPAN (San Francisco date, 19th December 1937)	Kamo Maru ... Soma ... Fridera ... Antiochus ... Yokoh ... Felix Roussel ... Oorfa ... Kimo Maru ... G. G. Paul Doumer ... Nako Maru ... Akiyori ... Memon ... Free Garfield ... Teirina ...	20th Jan. 20th Jan. 20th Jan. 21st Jan. 21st Jan. 21st Jan. 21st Jan. 21st Jan. 21st Jan. 21st Jan. 21st Jan. 21st Jan.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN and MANILA (Seattle date 1st January) AMOT ... JAPAN ... CANADA, U.S.A., and JAPAN (Vancouver B.C. date 8th January)	Post Jefferson ... Shirada ... Nallori ... Emp. of Asia ...	20th Jan. 27th Jan. 27th Jan. 27th Jan.

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PER	DATE and TIME
TUESDAY	
Straits and Wuchow ... Air Mail for San, Lanchow and Chengin, etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit). Dairen, Japan and Canada via Victoria B.C.—due Victoria B.C., 17th Feb. Swatow and Bangkok ... Kongmoon and Pakhoi via Kongmoon ... Port Bayard ... Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ... Saigon ... Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, Egypt and Parcels only for Germany via Hamburg	Tai Ming ... Eurasia Plane ... Taltybius ... Heli ... On Lee ... Tat Too Sui ... Straits ... Gustav Diederichsen ... Potsdam ...
Airmail for Chungking by the "C.N.A.C." Airways Direct Service.	C.N.A.C. Plane ... Kowloon P.O. Reg. 18th 5.00 PM Ord. 18th 5.00 PM G.P.O. ... Reg. 18th 5.00 PM Ord. 18th 5.00 PM
WEDNESDAY	
Samshui and Wuchow ... Swatow and Bangkok ... Swatow and ... Kongmoon and Pakhoi via Kongmoon ... Air Mail for Manila, Saigon ... Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 27th January.	Kongming ... Kalgan ... Yingyang ... Fook On ... Kowloon P.O. ... Pan American Airways Plane ... Kowloon P.O. Reg. 19th 5.00 PM Ord. 19th 5.00 PM G.P.O. ... Reg. 19th 5.00 PM Ord. 19th 5.00 PM
THURSDAY	
Samshui and Wuchow ... Kongmoon ... Haiphong ... Shanghai and Japan ... Japan and Europe via Siberia	Tai Ming ... Tat Lee ... Canton ... Guthage ... Kamo Maru ...
FRIDAY	
Shanghai and Japan ... Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong ... Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 3rd Feb.	Felix Roussel ... Kinyuan ... Kimo Maru ... Corfu ...
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 16th February	Reg. 21st 5.00 PM Ord. 21st 5.00 PM G.P.O. & K.P.O. ... Reg. 21st 5.00 PM Ord. 21st 5.00 PM
SATURDAY	
Airmail for "K. L. M. Airways Service"—due Amsterdam 30th Jan. Formosa ... Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 31st January. Air Mail for "Australia by Imperial Airways Service"—due Darwin, 30th January.	Sat. 21st 22nd ... G.P.O. & K.P.O. ... Reg. 21st 5.00 PM Ord. 21st 5.00 PM G.P.O. & K.P.O. ... Reg. 21st 5.00 PM Ord. 21st 5.00 PM

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